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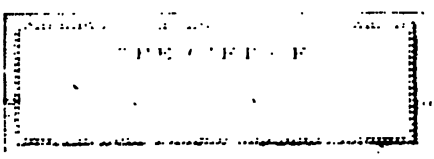
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REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC FREE LIBRARY.

1894.

PUBLIC FREE LIBRARY.

To the Honorable the Mayor of the City of St. Louis:

SIR — We hereby make our first annual report.

The history of the movement on the part of the tax-payers of St. Louis in taking the necessary steps by which the provisions of the act of the General Assembly of the State, approved in 1885, known as the "Missouri Library Law," could be made available, are familiar to all. The object to be attained, viz.: the establishment in St. Louis of a Public Library which should be absolutely free to all, was deemed of the utmost importance; and way for its accomplishment was finally provided.

The question whether the property owners would permit the small proportion of their taxes to be set apart for this purpose was submitted to the legal voters at the regular election in April, 1893; and the proposition was carried by a large majority.

The mayor in accordance with the law, appointed, with the approval of your honorable body, a board of nine directors. As the proceeds from the tax levy were not available until near the end of 1893, only preliminary work could be done. The board organized, and proceeded, with the aid of its secretary, Mr. Crunden, to prepare rules and familiarize itself with the requirements of the situation.

In the inception of this movement the St. Louis Board of Public Schools, under its then president, Mr. Gist Blair, took an active interest in the matter of the Free Library, the demands on the school funds being such that it seemed imperative that some way should be provided to relieve them of the Public Library, supported by annual appropriations.

The Board of Managers of the Public Library, composed of members of the School Board and persons elected by the life members, obtained during 1893 the written contract of the life members for the School Board to transfer the library to the city under the law.

Your board felt that it would be greatly to the advantage of all parties concerned if the existing Public Library could be placed in their hands and opened free to all as the nucleus of their work. We advised the School Board in November, 1893, that is to say, as soon as our income was available, of our willingness to arrange to accept the library and relieve them of the burden of its maintenance. The School Board did not take up the matter until January. There was such a difference in the views of the two boards as to the terms of the contract that much time was consumed in the transaction; and it was not until March 1 that the transfer was finally made upon the following terms:

The deeding to the city of everything pertaining to the library by the School Board, and leasing the sixth and seventh floors and a room on the second floor of the Board of Education Building to the Free Library board for a term of five years at an annual rental of $5,000. On account of the fact that so many different interests were involved, such as certain bequests made to the School Board on specific conditions and their peculiar relations to the life members, the details furnished many difficult legal problems. In adjusting these technicalities, the Free Public Library Board was fortunate in having the gratuitous service of

so able a jurist as the Hon. John W. Noble, who gave his advice and counsel and directed the forms of deed and lease.

The Board wish to take this opportunity to publicly acknowledge this great kindness to themselves and the community on the part of Gen. Noble. When the board of directors finally obtained possession of this library of 100,000 volumes, much was necessary to be done in order to prepare it for free use to the public. Thus, it was not till the first day of the present month, just one year from their appointment, that the wishes of the people could be realized and the city of St. Louis have in common with other cities, a free public library.

The Board was fortunate in being able to retain the services, as librarian, of Mr. Frederick M. Crunden, who stands easily in the front rank in his profession, and possesses the confidence and esteem of this community in a marked degree. His report, herewith submitted, will furnish the statistical information regarding the property of the Library, the condition of its funds, etc., required by law.

Believing, with our predecessors, that the value of the Library was in its present condition fully $100,000, we continue the insurance on the same basis, that is, $75,000.

We submit with this report a copy of the rules adopted.

We call special attention to the facility afforded every one to obtain the use of the library. Every citizen of St. Louis and every one having employment in the city though a resident of the suburbs, and also every tax-payer, whether a resident or not, can, on application, obtain a Reader's Card. No rigid exactions are made, and there are no rules not rendered necessary for the protection of the library and its patrons. It has been the sole desire of the board to extend to the public, who are owners of the library, every facility for making use of the same.

Suggestions for the improvement of its management are solicited and will have careful consideration.

The Board lost one of its members by death. Mrs. Elizabeth H. Noble was suddenly stricken and died in the midst of active energetic work in behalf of the Library. Her valuable suggestions were most helpful and will be noticeable in the future work of the institution.

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. WHITELAW,
President.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith my first report as your executive officer, covering the period of your administration of the Library up to April 30, the end of the fiscal year. As the transfer of the Library was not effected till March 1, the statistics embodied in this report are for the months of March and April only. These months being a part of the period of preparation for the work of the Free Library, I have, as Librarian, little to record. As Secretary, however, I have thought it might be desirable and proper for me to present a succinct account of the year of organization and preparation that ended May 31.

The history of the movement that led to the vote of April 4, 1893, in favor of a free library, has already been published in my report for 1891-92, as Librarian of the late Board of Managers. Mayor Walbridge promptly appointed the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of the statute. On Saturday, July 1, 1893, immediately upon the confirmation of the appointments, the Board met and organized by choosing O. L. Whitelaw, President; T. A. Meysenburg, Vice-President and F. M. Crunden, Secretary, and drawing lots for the respective terms of the members. A committee was appointed to prepare a code of by-laws for the government of the Board and rules for the public. At this meeting the first volume owned by the St. Louis Public (Free) Library was presented by Col. T. A. Meysenburg, Vice-President.

Before your Board could take possession of the existing Public Library and begin the actual administration of your trust, it was necessary that the Library fund should be available, and that the consent of the life members of the School Board should be obtained. Your Board was advised by Mr. F. N. Judson that the written consent of a majority of the life members was necessary to make the transfer. The task of securing these signatures was in the hands of the Board

of Managers; and it was not till the end of November, 1893, that an unquestionable majority of over 2,000 was obtained. In November the School Board was notified that your board would be ready to assume control of the Library as soon as it could be turned over. No action was taken by that body till January; and it was not till March 1 that the transfer was finally effected.

Meantime your committee on rules worked faithfully at its task, and prepared a code of by-laws, which after careful examination, was adopted by the Board, October 28, 1893. A body of rules and regulations was compiled and after a very thorough revision was adopted by the Board, March 10, 1894. The rules were already in type and were published at once in a pamphlet of 27 pages, which contains also an ordinance drawn by Mr. F. N. Judson, for the protection of Library property and a "Reader's Guide."

All preliminaries had been, so far as possible, arranged beforehand, but the active work of making the Library ready for the public use could not begin until it had passed to your control. This preparation included the following work:—

First — The walls and ceilings, which were bare plaster blackened with the smoke of two winters, had to be painted. This, with the preliminary taking of bids, occupied several weeks; and during the progress of the work, the rooms were in such confusion as to cause serious interruption to other operations.

Second — To provide for the expected large increase of readers, various alterations had to be made, which, with certain necessary repairs, required the employment of carpenters, metal workers and electricians.

Third — Additional furniture and appliances of a technical kind had to be ordered from the east.

Fourth — Numerous blanks were required, which took printers in St. Louis and elsewhere weeks to furnish. As soon as the necessary cards arrived, on April 26, the registration of readers was begun.

Fifth — Among these blanks and appliances were 75,000 book pockets and 75,000 book cards. On each pocket had to be written two numbers and a "catch-word," and the pocket had to be pasted into the book to which it belonged. This was a work of four weeks, all available members of the regular staff being assigned to the writing and three binder's apprentices being employed for the pasting. In doing this every volume in the circulating department had to be carried to the room where the work was done and afterwards replaced in its proper position. When this job was finished every one that could be spared, together with five young women employed temporarily, was set to work writing the book cards and inserting them in the pockets. On each card is written the class number, accession number, author and title. The books by truck-loads were again removed from the shelves of the Library and again replaced in proper order. Meanwhile the old members and the public who came to use the reading-room and reference department were served as usual, requiring the time of a majority of the regular staff. If the Library could have been closed, the preparations to meet the demands of a larger patronage could have been completed sooner — not proportionately, however, since the fulfillment of contracts by various mechanics and manufacturers constituted an essential factor that was beyond our control.

Sixth — For each person registering four blanks must be filled, one by the applicant and three by the library assistants, viz.: The "Registration Card," the "Reader's Card," the "Reader's Index" card and the "Guarantor's Index" card. For a registration of 3,000, therefore, 12,000 cards must be written, collated and arranged in proper alphabetical order in four separate series. Though the registration card is filled by the applicant, it takes as much time as any of the others, because it is necessary (in spite of printed directions) to give oral instructions to each individual. The giving out of readers' cards and the free issue of books to those who had previously registered, began June 1. Prior to this date two clerks had been engaged in the work of registration; now six are employed, four being members of the regular staff. Both regular assistants and temporary employes have worked extra time, and all have labored with most commendable zeal and assiduity. I think they may be proud, as I am pleased, with the results. The concentration upon the registration has drawn from the force previously employed on the book cards; but this work is, nevertheless, nearly completed.

It seems proper to state for the information of the public, that all this work was necessary for the protection of the Library property, for keeping an accu-

rate record of the books issued, and for their prompt delivery upon call. The charging system, which is essentially the same as that which was awarded the premium at the World's Fair, combines in the highest degree the two chief desiderata, speed and accuracy. The danger of errors is reduced to a minimum. The date when the book is due is stamped on the "reader's card," on the "book card," and on a "date slip," pasted on the fly-leaf of the book. The borrower can tell from his card, and from the slip, when the book is due; and by means of the "book card," which remains in the Library, it is easy to ascertain at any time what books are out, and what books are overdue. When the public understands the system and the staff has become perfectly familiar with its workings, from 200 to 300 volumes an hour can be received and as many issued.

One of the alterations referred to consisted in enlarging the "New Book Corner" and making another entrance from it to the stack. The juvenile collection has been removed to the shelves opposite this entrance; and our young folks will have free access to the books from 3 to 6 in the afternoon, with an assistant specially assigned to wait on them. This will secure to them better attention and also lessen the crowd at the regular issue desk. The arrangement of the desk has been changed by opening another window for receiving books and enlarging the space for the issue of books. The electric fixtures have been changed so as to afford much more light and at the same time protect the assistant's eyes. The shelves around three sides of the partition separating the delivery room from the stack have been inclosed to form closets for magazines and supplies, and additional shelving has been put in the medical room. Further additions are required in the technological room, the reference room and the public document room.

Among the devices and appliances that contribute to the improvement made in former methods, is the autographic cash register, by means of which an accurate and unquestionable account is kept of all money received at the desk. Whether $5 for a lost book or 2 cents for a stamped return envelope, each item is recorded in triplicate, the original entry being handed to the payer as a receipt, the second put into the cash drawer of the receiving clerk and the third remaining locked in the machine.

This record of the year cannot be closed without mention of the great loss sustained by the Board in the death of one of its members. On Monday, March 19, the Board met in special session, and adopted the following memorial:—

"It becomes the sad duty of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library to record the sudden demise of Mrs. Elizabeth H. Noble. In her death the board has lost a faithful member, and the cause of popular education a zealous and devoted friend.

"It is fitting that we, as co-workers, bear public testimony to the fidelity, intelligent interest and practical sagacity that marked Mrs. Noble's discharge of her duties as a member of this Board, and that, as citizens, we express our appreciation of the loss sustained by the community in the death of so active a promoter of all movements for the elevation of humanity."

The time of the Board and the labor of its officers and employes being concentrated on efforts to make the treasures already accumulated accessible to the public, but little attention could be given to additions to the collection, and very few purchases were made. A large order for English books has been placed, and the Book Committee is awaiting bids on a still larger order for American publications. Through the thoughtfulness of the board of managers of the old Library, 1,000 copies of the "A. L. A. Catalogue" were secured. This is a catalogue of a collection of 5,000 volumes that formed the "model library" exhibited at the World's Fair. The selection was made by a committee of the American Library Association, and the list includes what that committee, in conjunction with other librarians throughout the country, judged to be the best books in each department. There is certainly no better guide for the general reader. It has been the first care of the book committee to obtain the books in this catalogue that were not already in the Library. The publication of the catalogue adds to the debt that the people of this country owe to Dr. Wm. T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education. The special needs of young people are further provided for by a supply of "Sargent's Reading for the Young," a classified,

graded and annotated list of books for readers between the ages of eight and twenty years.

It is too soon to make definite predictions as to the increase in the use of the Library; but the registration thus far is sufficient evidence that the people of St. Louis are prepared to appreciate a Free Public Library.

I present herewith statistics showing the routine work of the Library during the months of March and April, those relating to receipts and expenditures, books on hand, books purchased and books lost or missing, being verified by affidavit, as required by the statute. The additions were chiefly donations; the issue has no significance, as it represents merely the diminished circulation of the old subscription library.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian and Secretary.

June 9, 1894.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

An inventory taken as carefully as was possible under unfavorable conditions showed the following contents of the Library on January 1, 1894:

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF MAIN LIBRARY.

Philosophy		1,059
Theology		3,721
Social and Political Science		13,171
Natural Science and Useful Arts		12,234
Art and Poetry		5,429
Fiction		12,141
Juvenile		4,662
Literary Miscellany		5,321
Geography and History		12,328
Cyclopaedias and Magazines		8,842
		78,908
Collections of Duplicates		886
South Branch		1,909
Total of entered books		81,703
Books not yet catalogued — chiefly the McAnally and medical collections (about)		5,154
Unentered duplicates (about)		3,300
Volumes of unbound magazines (about)		975
Total		91,132
Additions for March and April —		
By purchase	21	
By gift	730	
By binding of pamphlets	3	
By binding of periodicals	54	808
Total, May 1, 1894		91,940

ADDITIONS.

For March and April, 1894, classified.

Classes.	Reg. Lib.	Coll. of Dup.	Tls.
Philosophy	15	..	15
Theology	361	..	361
Social Science	60	..	60
Natural Science	93	..	93
Art and Poetry	19	..	19
Fiction	33	..	33
Juvenile Literature	30	..	30
Literary Miscellany	26	3	29
Travels and History	108	..	108
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	60	..	60
	805	3	808

Source:	Reg. Lib.	Coll. of Dup.	Tls.
Purchase	18	3	21
Gift	730	..	730
Pamphlets, bound	3	..	3
Periodicals, bound	54	..	54
	805	3	808
Language:			
English	775	3	778
French	6	..	6
German	21	..	21
Other	3	..	3
	805	3	808

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, *etc.*

Worn out and condemned	31
Lost and paid for	4
Charged to members	7
Total	42
Total additions	808
Less above	42
Net increase	766

Of the 31 volumes worn out 21 were replaced by new copies; and of the four volumes lost and paid for, 1 was so replaced.

BINDING.

During March and April, 1894, 115 volumes (periodicals and books received in paper covers), were bound for the first time at a cost of $67.55, an average of 59 cents per volume. Ninety-five volumes were bound at a cost of $37.75, or 40 cents per volume. Besides these 456 volumes were repaired in the Library. These cost $35.00, an average of 8 cents. Of this number 90 volumes were replaced in the old covers.

DONATIONS.

During the months of March and April considerable accessions were made to the collection by gift. Among the more noteworthy donations were the following:—

California, Secretary of State, 35 volumes.
Iowa, Secretary of State, 56 volumes, 57 pamphlets.
Minnesota, Secretary of State, 41 volumes.
Ohio, Secretary of State, 70 volumes.
Pennsylvania, State Library 23 volumes.
United States Government, 83 volumes, 24 pamphlets.

ISSUE STATISTICS.

March and April, 1894.

Home Issue—	
Regular	9,695
Duplicate	1,733
	11,428
Library issue	12,031
Total issue	23,459
Reading room issue	27,490
Total issue in all departments	51,449

State of Missouri, City of St. Louis, ss:.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Mr. F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free)

Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the report to the board of directors of St. Louis Public (Free) Library hereto attached, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

(Seal.) Sworn and subscribed to before me this 11th day of June, 1894.

GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public.

My term expires March 14, 1897.

ST. LOUIS, June 11, 1894.

CITY APPROPRIATION.

Receipts and expenditures, March and April, 1894.

To collections to March 12	$48,915 32	
To collections to May 7	1,488 03	$50,403 35
Total receipts		$50,403 35
By salaries		$2,563 67
Books, Reg	$94 82	
M. C	10 15	104 97
Building rent	$833 34	
Insurance	276 60	
Repairs	7 00	
Heat	16 77	
Elevator	5 16	1,138 87
Printing	251 50	
Stationery	12 75	
Supplies	6 00	
Expenses	78 49	348 74
Total expenditures		$4,156 25
Balance in treasury		46,247 10
		$50,403 35

ST. LOUIS, June 9th, 1894.

OTHER SOURCES.

Receipts and expenditures — Contingent fund. March–April, 1894.

Balance in contingent fund		$ 93
Temporary membership		1 00
Collection of duplicates	$86 90	
Magazines sold	3 20	
Books, sold, lost and paid for	70	
Fines		118 06
Books sold, lost and paid for		2 60
Renewal cards		09
Sargent's Reading for young, two at 50c		1 00
Desk receipts		$214 48
Total receipts		$214 48
Stationery	$1 90	
Supplies	1 60	
Expense	6 85	
Catalogue supplies	5 85	
Postage	3 00	19 20
Total expenditures		19 20
Balance in treasury May 1st		195 28
Total		$214 48

State of Missouri, City of St. Louis, ss.:

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public, within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Hamlin Russell, personally known to me, who being duly sworn by me, stated that the attached statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library for the months of March and April, 1894, on account of city appropriation and the attached statement of receipts and expenditures for the months of March and April, 1894, on account of other sources, are true and correct.

HAMLIN RUSSELL,
Chairman Auditing Committee Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

(Seal.) Sworn and subscribed to before me this 11th day of June, 1894.

GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public.

My term expires March 14, 1897.

APPENDIX.

Donations, March 1 to April 30, 1894.

Five hundred and thirty-one volumes and 579 pamphlets were received as exchanges and donations from 224 sources, as follows:—

	Vols.	Pph.
Alabama, Geological Survey	1	1
Alabama, Secretary of State		5
American Folk-lore Society		1
American Institute of Homeopathy	2	
Ames, John G., Washington, D. C.	5	163
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass		2
Association of Military Surgeons		1
Baily, L. H., Ithaca, N. Y		3
Baltimore, Md., City Library	11	
Baltimore, Md., Inspector of Mines		1
Baltimore, Md., Public Schools		1
Barnard, George D		1
Bell, James W	4	
Boston, Chamber of Commerce	2	
Boston, City Hospital	6	27
Boston, Department of Banks		5
Boston, Harbor Commissioner	1	11
Boston, Kindergarten for the Blind		1
Boston, Railroad Commissioners	1	
Boston, Record Commissioners	2	4
Boston, Channing Club		3
Boston, New England Mutual Life Insurance Co	1	
Boston, Provident Association		2
Brookline, Mass., Public Library		1
California, Governor	2	4
California, Napa State Asylum for the Insane	5	2
California, Secretary of State	35	
California, Superintendent of Public Instruction		1
Canada, Department of Agriculture		1
Canada, Geological Survey		4
Carpenter, Geo. O., Jr		5
Chaplin, W. S., LL.D		3
Chicago, Board of Education	2	
Cincinnati, O., Public Library		1
Cincinnati, O., Observatory		4
Cleveland, O., Mayor	1	
Cleveland, O., Public Library		2
Clinton, Mass., Bigelow Free Public Library		1
Cobb, Hon. S. W	4	
Concord, Mass., Free Public Library		2
Connecticut, Bureau of Labor Statistics	7	2
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y		2
Crunden, F. M	1	1
Cunningham, Rev. Dr., London, Eng		1

	Vols.	Pph.
Davies, John F., Butte City, Mont		1
Dewey, Melvil		9
Dickinson, Dr	3	
Dover, Eng., Public Library		1
Duclos Salinas, A	1	
Edgell, G. S	1	
Espen, C. D	1	
Field, John T		1
Georgia, Commissioner of Agriculture	1	2
Georgia, Geological Survey		2
Georgia, State School Commissioner	1	
Georgia, Treasurer	1	
Germantown, Pa., Friends' Free Library		1
Gibbes, Emily O., New York City	1	
Gould, Mr		1
Green, Miss K L	6	
Harris, W. John, M. D	6	
Hartford, Conn., Theological Seminary		1
Harvard University	2	1
Helena, Mont., Public Library		4
Huse, Wm	1	19
Illinois, Department of Agriculture	1	
Iowa, Secretary of State	56	57
Jersey City, N. J.		3
Johns-Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md		3
Johnson, E. P	34	
Judge, William Q., New York City	1	
Kansas, Board of Railroad Commissioners	1	
Kansas, Insurance Department	8	3
Kansas, Secretary of State	4	
Kaviratna Avinash Chandra, Calcutta, India		1
Kellogg, E. L. & Co., N. Y. City	1	
Kinney, Abbot	1	
Kirchner, H. W	1	
Lawrence, Mass., Public Library		2
Leipsig, Buchgewerbeblatt		12
Liverpool, Eng., Free Public Library		1
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library		2
Loewenstein, M. J	1	
Lynn, Mass., Public Library		1
McClurg, Gen. A. C., Chicago, Ill		2
Manley, W. E., D. D		1
Maryland, Bureau of Industrial Statistics		1
Maryland, Commissioner of Land Office		1
Maryland, Comptroller of Treasury	1	
Maryland, Secretary of State		4
Maryland, State Board of Education	1	
Maryland, State Board of Health	1	1
Maryland, State Tax Commissioner	1	
Maryland, State Weather Service		1
Massachusetts, Auditor	1	
Massachusetts, Board of Commissioners of Savings Bank	2	
Massachusetts, Bureau of Labor	2	
Massachusetts, Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary		1
Massachusetts, Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game		1
Massachusetts, Commissioners of Prisons		1
Massachusetts, General Hospital		4
Massachusetts, Perkins Institute and Mass. School for the Blind		1
Massachusetts, State Board of Agriculture	1	
Massachusetts, State Board of Arbitration	4	
Massachusetts, State Board of Health	4	
Mekeel, C. H		1
Michigan, State Board of Corrections and Charities		1
Meier, D. F., German Consul	1	

	Vols.	Pph.
Michigan, Fish Commission	1	5
Michigan, State Board of Corrections and Charities		1
Michigan, State Horticultural Society	1	
Michigan, University	1	
Milwaukee, Wis., Mayor	1	
Milwaukee, Wis., Public Library		2
Minneapolis, Minn., Mayor	1	
Minneapolis, Minn., Public Library		2
Minnesota, Geological and Natural Hist. Survey		2
Minnesota, Secretary of State	41	2
Missouri, Botanical Garden	1	2
Missouri, Horticultural Society	2	
Missouri, Insurance Dep't	1	
Missouri, Labor Commissioner	1	
Missouri, Railroad Commissioner	3	
Missouri, State Board of Agriculture	2	
Montana, Board of Stock Commissioners		1
Montana, Governor	1	2
Montana, State Auditor		1
Montana, Sup't of Public Instruction		1
Moore, R.		1
Morton, Levi P., N. Y. City	1	
National Electric Light Assn	1	
Nevada, State Board of Assessors and Equalization		1
Nevada, State Librarian	10	4
New Bedford, Mass., Free Public Library		1
New Jersey, State Library	1	
New London, Conn., Public Library		1
New York State Library	4	3
New York Board of Education		1
New York Bureau of Labor Statistics	4	
New York State University		1
New York City Aguilar Free Library		1
New York, Amer. Swedenborg Printing and Publishing Society	12	6
New York Century Association	1	
New York General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen		1
New York Mercantile Library		3
New York Society of New York Hospital		1
New York Woman's Hospital		1
New York Young Men's Christian Association		1
New West Educational Commission		1
Newton, Mass., Free Library	1	
Nolan, Edward J., M. D		1
North Dakota Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor		2
North Dakota State Examiner		1
Ohio Secretary of State	70	4
Parker, Francis W., Englewood, Ill		1
Pennsylvania, Auditor-General	1	
Pennsylvania State Library	23	7
Philadelphia City Institute		1
Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences		1
Philadelphia American Pharmaceutical Association	1	
Philadelphia Apprentices Library Co		1
Philadelphia Hospital	1	
Philadelphia Indian Rights Association		4
Philadelphia Mercantile Library		2
Pinchot, Gifford, London, Eng		1
Poole, W. F., LL. D., Chicago, Ill	1	
Portland, Ore., Public Library		7
Providence, R. I., Brown University		1
Rand, McNally and Co., Chicago, Ill		1
Ray, Pratapa Chandra, Calcutta, India		3
Rhode Island Commissioner of Public Schools	1	
Rombauer, R. E. P. J.		3

	Vols.	Pph.
St. Louis Bohemian Gymnastic Association, "Sokol"		1
St. Louis City Register	14	
St. Louis Health Department	1	
St. Louis Mercantile Club	1	
St. Louis Mercantile Library Association		1
St. Louis Merchants' Exchange	1	
St. Louis School and Home	1	
St. Louis Washington University		3
St. Paul, Minn., Public Library		1
Salem, Mass., Essex Institute		1
Salem, Mass., Public Library	1	4
Sampson, F. A., A. M.		2
Schroeder, H. H.	1	
Smithsonian Institute	4	
Soldan, F. Louis, LL.D.	2	
Soudier, H. Le, Paris	5	
Southampton, Eng., Public Library	1	
Springfield, Mass., City Library Association		6
Springfield, O., Public Library		1
Stevens, B. F., London, Eng.		2
Stratford-on-Avon, Shakespeare Memorial Library		1
Swansea, Eng., Public Library		2
Swarthmore, Pa., Swarthmore College		1
Taunton, Mass., Public Library		1
Trelease, Prof. Wm.		1
U. S. Bureau of Education	1	7
U. S. Census Office		3
U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey	1	
U. S. Comm'r of Labor		1
U. S. Department of Agriculture	2	1
U. S. Department of Interior	58	4
U. S. Department of State		2
U. S. Department of the Treasury	2	
U. S. Department of War	11	1
U. S. Fish Commission	2	
U. S. Geological Survey	2	
U. S. Interstate Commerce Com'n	2	
U. S. Naval Observatory	1	
U. S. Weather Bureau		6
U. S. Surgeon-General	1	
Vermont State Agricultural Experiment Station	2	1
Wall, Otto A., M. D.		1
Waltham, Mass., Public Library		1
Waterhouse, Prof. S.		2
Watertown, Mass., Free Public Library		1
Wilkesbarre, Pa., Public Library		2
Wisconsin Comm'r of Railroads	2	1
Wisconsin State Agricultural Society	5	
Wisconsin State Board of Health	1	
Wisconsin Superintentent of Public Instruction	3	
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library		1
Wyoming Attorney-General		1
Voorhees, D. W.		1





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F. LOUIS SOLDAN,	F. LOUIS SOLDAN,
O L. WHITELAW,	O. L. WHITELAW.

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1893-94.	1894-95.
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June, 1895-May, 1896.

	Term Expires.
THOMAS DIMMOCK	1898.
Miss L. B. HALSTED	1897.
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ARTHUR LEE	1898.
Col. T. A. MEYSENBURG	1896.
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VACANCY	1897.

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MRS. L. SPECK General Assistant.
HENRY F. WOODS In charge of shelves.
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EDWARD BATES
SILVIA M. ALLEN Issue Desk.
JULIA KRUG Juvenile Department.

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MRS. KATE FINE " "
MRS. M. FORSTER " "

THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

To His Honor, Cyrus P. Walbridge, Mayor of St. Louis:

In accordance with the provisions of the law, we beg to present the Annual Report of the Directors of the Public (Free) Library.

The year just closed is the first full year of operation under the new law. You will remember that the board appointed by you only acquired the library fourteen months ago, and at last report had been in charge only about two months.

The full and complete statistics furnished the Board by our Librarian, Mr. Frederick M. Crunden, and affidavits supporting financial statements, accompany and are a part of this report.

A careful examination of these figures and a comparison made with the corresponding dates of the work of the Library during the time when it was not free will show that the citizens of St. Louis appreciate the advantages of a free library, and are quick to avail themselves of the opportunity thus afforded of making use of the large collection of books at their disposal. The friends of the movement to provide St. Louis with a public library, free to all, and thus remove the reproach which had been so long attached to her fair name, were well aware that the increase of readers would be noticeable at once; but it is doubtful if even the most sanguine of its supporters were prepared for the eagerness with which the community came to register their names and draw the books—a privilege which had been made possible by the vote of the tax payers setting apart the insignificant sum of one-fifth of a mill of the tax levy of the city for this purpose.

The commodious quarters in the sixth and seventh floors of the Board of Education Building, 9th and Locust streets, planned with such careful forethought, with all the appliances necessary for the administration of a modern library, which were leased from the School Board, are already proving inadequate to the demands made upon the Library.

To remedy this congestion and for the greater accommodation of the public, your Board has established delivery stations in different parts of the city, where readers can draw books and return them, thus saving the long journey to the main library.

These stations, together with arrangements made with the public schools and various institutions, *etc.*, greatly multiply the use and advantages of the Library. The Board of Directors realizes that this great educational factor belongs to the citizens of St. Louis; and every effort on its part consistent with the income at its disposal, will be made to bring the benefits of the Library to the greatest possible number.

Under the original act passed by the Legislature in 1885, known as the Missouri Library Law, while the Board of Directors was vested with the authority to acquire real estate, it was legally powerless to provide the necessary funds for the erection of a building on any lot it might be able to secure.

It has from the beginning been the desire of the Board to save, if possible, enough from its annual income to procure an eligible lot and thus make a beginning towards securing a permanent home for the Library. Aside from the great rental we are obliged to pay the School Board for the present quarters, which will soon be entirely too small for our needs, the great expense and inconvenience of hoisting in elevators fifty thousand people per month must be apparent to all.

With these objects in view necessary steps were taken at the last session of the Legislature; and the act was so amended as to make it lawful for the Board to issue bonds to obtain money for the erection of a building, but for no other purpose.

An opportunity is here afforded to any public spirited, loyal citizen of this great city to dedicate a portion of his possessions in the shape of a donation of a plot of ground, or an endowment of money, to the lasting benefit of his fellow citizens, and thus lay the foundation of a monument which would perpetuate his memory as long as St. Louis shall be known as a city.

Other cities have had such far-sighted philanthropists; and may we not reasonably expect that in the near future some one may be constrained to do the public this great and lasting service? Such a gift would very much simplify the problem that now faces the Board.

We venture to predict that the time will come when the Library will have become so firmly intrenched in the affections of the great mass of the people, that any legislation in the way of larger appropriations in the direction of increasing its usefulness, can easily be obtained; but this is a process of education and of slow growth.

In the meantime exigencies arise which are difficult to overcome with the present income, every dollar of which in excess of expense of administration should be expended in additions to our books—completing departments of science still lacking the latest text books and thus equipping the Library to meet every demand.

This report would be incomplete did we not refer to the superior excellence and efficiency of the present staff of the Library. This force, as you are doubtless aware, is secured and retained through the application of the rules of modern civil service. Every position is filled with the successful competitor of a rigid examination, consequently the force is a careful selection of the fittest. Promotions are conducted in the same manner. The result therefore places the administration of the Library in the hands of ladies and gentlemen of more than ordinary ability and attainments, producing an "esprit de corps" which must be apparent to even the casual visitor.

In conclusion I would add that the utmost harmony and good will prevails in the Board. Not a dissenting voice is heard; and no other aim has been apparent on the

part of each and every member than the single purpose of doing all in their power to execute the trust placed in their hands, so that this great public institution of learning shall bring its influence to bear on the greatest number, and thus fulfill its very important mission in this city.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR L. WHITELAW,
President.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Hon. Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my second annual report as your executive officer, covering the year from May 1, 1894, to April 30, 1895. This is the first full year of your direction; but not yet can the record be presented of the first full year of a free library in St. Louis, for the Library was not opened free to the public until the first of June. Registration began practically on May first, with the beginning of the library year; and at the end of the year over 26,000 names had been registered. They came in with notable regularity, the last six months showing very little variation from an average of 2,000 a month. With this steady growth in the number of readers, it is evident that only the statistics of the last few months can be taken as any indication of the work and the popularity of the library; and the greater usefulness of a free, as compared with a subscription, library cannot be fully shown in figures until the total of a full year's issue under the new order shall have been recorded. The results to date of discontinuing the subscription fee of $2 a year ($1 for minors) may be briefly summed up thus: a registration four times as large as formerly, and a home issue 3½ times as great as the maximum under the old régime. The latter ratio is obtained by comparing the issue of March with the largest month's record of the old library.

The receipts and expenditures for the year are given in the following table, which combines the monthly financial statements that have been attested by your Auditing Committee and is accompanied by the affidavit of the Chairman of the Committee.

To agree with the accounts in the City Auditor's office, which are closed with the second Monday of each month, the statement of the City Treasury fund is brought up to May 13, while the statement of the bank fund and contingent fund closes with April 30, the date when the library year ends.

It will be seen that the year's revenue from the City tax of 1/5 of a mill amounted to $59,320.97, to which was added $2,615.80, the sum received for fines, issue of extra volumes, *etc.*, and a large balance left over from the preceding year's income, out of which only two months' expenses were drawn. The total of expenditures was $48,358.88, which will necessarily be increased with the growth of the Library and the extension of its usefulness.

Comment or explanation of certain items in the schedule, if not necessary, will, at least, not be superflous.

It is noteworthy that the increase of salary expenses from (in round numbers) $12,000 to $16,000 is not at all proportioned to the increase in the work done.

The outlay for furniture and repairs is larger than it is likely to be again for some years. As mentioned in the last report, extensive alterations and repairs were necessary to adapt the premises to the larger work undertaken by the Directors of the Free Library. The largest single item was $773.70 for painting the rooms and halls. Next to this come $783.02 for carpenter's wages, lumber, hardware and other material; $513.22 for special furniture and appliances; $200 for the system of basket carriers; $170.05 for repairs and additions to electric lights and bells; and $116.50 for metal work. The balance consists of smaller items from $10 up.

Under *Expense*, the largest item, next to printing and stationery, is $407.82, the amount paid for temporary service in arranging for the change in the charging system and other work of preparation, as explained in detail in the last report. The expenditure for printing and stationery was larger than it is likely to be for several years at least, since it includes the cost of 75,000 book pockets and 80,000 book cards, and also the many thousands (about 125,000 in all) of application cards, reader's cards, and cards for readers' and guarantors' indexes, besides 20,000 copies of the "Rules and Readers' Guide" and 500 copies of another pamphlet containing the State law and the City ordinances relating to the Library and the by-laws of the Board.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1895.

DR.

To Balance in City Treasury May 7, 1894		$46,247 10	
Collections May 7, 1894—May 13, 1895		59,320 97	$105,568 07
Balance in Bank Fund, May 1			195 28
Coll. of Duplicates,			
Cards Sold	$673 85		
Magazines Sold	43 60	717 45	
Fines		1,573 77	
Books Sold, Lost and Paid for		118 12	
Lost Cards		26 43	
Catalogues and Bulletins		144 71	
Postals		26 86	
Non-resident Membership		3 00	
Interest on Current Deposit		3 41	
Catalogue Cards Sold		1 60	
Miscellaneous		45	
Total Desk Receipts			2,615 80
Total Receipts			$108,379 15

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By Salaries			$ 16,113 12
Books, Reg. Main Library Collection		$11,066 55	
Collection of Duplicates		243 78	
Medical Collection		463 55	
Binding		1,498 69	
Periodicals		721 42	
Periodicals, Medical Collection		167 80	
			$14,161 79
Building, Rent		$ 5,000 00	
Light		1,916 00	
Insurance		1,003 50	
Heat, Sundays and Holidays		429 01	
Water, 6 months		180 00	
Furniture and Repairs		2,882 24	
Elevator, Salaries		1,210 72	
Electric Power		1,716 02	14,337 49
Expense, Delivery Stations		194 65	
Printing and Stationery		2,481 68	
Supplies		243 47	
Advertising		9 25	
Postage		134 53	
Sundries		275 08	
Writing Book Cards, *etc*		407 82	3,746 48
Total Expenditures			$ 48,358 88
Balance in Bank Fund, May 1—			
Cert. of Deposits, 3@$500.00		$ 1,500 00	
Current Deposit		818 80	
			$ 2,318 80
Balance in Contingent Fund, May 1			26 49
Balance in City Treasury, May 13			$ 57,674 98
			$108,379 15

REGISTRATION.

The Library continued to serve its former subscribers up to June 1st, when it was opened to the general public. The registration of readers, however, began with the year, or, to speak exactly, on April 26, 1894. Up to April 30, 1895, 26,064 names had been registered. This involved the numbering, filling-in and arranging of 100,000 cards, many of which had to be handled twice.

As this report is meant ultimately for the information of the public, I have thought it well to present with reasonable

fullness the details of the practical working of the library in each department. It is proper that the people should know how their work is done in every public institution; it is desirable that our citizens should have some idea of the amount and kind of labor involved in the administration of a large library; and especially is it necessary that they should know the simple forms by which they may secure the privileges to which they are entitled and the means by which their property is cared for at the same time that it is made available to every resident of St. Louis.

CONDITIONS AND RULES.

Any person of decent appearance and behavior may, without previous application and without any other formality than writing his name and address on a call-slip, obtain books and periodicals to read or consult in the rooms. A card entitling the holder to draw books for home reading will be issued on application to any person who resides or pays taxes or has permanent employment in St. Louis, and who can furnish a reasonable assurance that he will comply with the rules and regulations.

Applicants must sign the following blank:—

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE FILLED OUT IN INK, AND APPROVED, BEFORE CARD IS ISSUED.

..... No.....

I, the undersigned, apply for a reader's card in the St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

CROSS OUT WHAT DOES NOT APPLY. I { am a resident of the city, / am a taxpayer in the city, / have permanent employment in the city,

and hereby agree to comply with all the rules and regulations of the Library, to make good any loss or injury sustained by it through issuing a card entitling me to draw books, and **TO GIVE IMMEDIATE NOTICE OF CHANGE OF RESIDENCE.**

Signature (in ink)

Residence.....

Occupation

Place of business.....

THIS CARD WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED IF SOILED OR FOLDED.

The rule requires as security for the prompt and safe return of books "a cash deposit or a guaranty signed by a resident of the city known to be responsible."

The guaranty reads as follows:—

.....

Public Library,

St. Louis,.....*189*..

I, the undersigned, hereby agree to be responsible for any loss of or damage to the books of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library issued to..... ... and for any penalties incurred by h.....through violation of the rules of the library.

Signature (in ink)

Residence.....

A city ordinance makes it a misdemeanor to take books from the Library "except in accordance with the rules," or to fail to return them when notified, or to damage books or other library property. Experience thus far justifies the liberal policy of the Board, for out of 331,000 books issued for home reading, only three were not returned. The precaution that might have prevented this loss would probably have deterred some thousands of readers from using the library.

WORK OF REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

The application being approved, a "reader's card" is issued to the applicant, which he must always present in drawing or returning a book. This card has on one side the reader's name with a synopsis of the rules relating to cards and their use: the other side bears the holder's number and is ruled into thirty spaces for recording the issue and return of books. When the registration ranged from 60 to 150 a day, reader's cards could not be issued immediately, as they have been the last month with an average registration of about 30 a day. The reason for this becomes apparent on an explanation of the work involved.

The application cards are arranged in drawers in alphabetical order. When the "reader's card" is not delivered at once it is kept with the application card until called for.

At first the guaranty was printed on the back of the application card, which necessitated writing another card for the "guarantors' index." Now, being on a separate card, it

serves for the index, the name being written on the top line as shown in the above sample.

For convenience in recording loans, each reader is known by the initial letter of his name followed by a number, which indicates how many persons of that initial have registered up to a given time. For example, "A 748" is the seven hundred and forty-eighth person registered whose name begins with A. The total registration at any moment can be found by adding the numbers on the last card under each letter of the alphabet. To find who "A 748," for instance, is, it is necessary to have an index arranged according to letters and numbers. This makes four cards that must be filled out, one of which is given to the reader, while the other three are filed in separate drawers, in alphabetical, or numero-alphabetical order. Besides this, the name of all persons not well known, *i. e.*, at least nine-tenths of all applicants—must be looked up in the directory. All this, it will be readily seen, was sufficient to occupy the whole time of at least two persons. At times as many as four were engaged most of the day at this work; and it was not till May, when the registration fell off with the coming of warm weather, that the index to guarantors was brought up to date.

The numerical details of the registration are as follows:

NAMES REGISTERED UP TO APRIL 30, 1895.

Men	8,222	
Women	8,868	
Children	8,974	
		26,064

From the above total registration the following deductions should be made, in order to ascertain the number of reader's cards in force at the close of the year:

Guarantors withdrawn	34	
Dead	14	
Left town	114	
Cards surrendered	66	
Held for fines	272	
*Not called for	1,221	1,721
Total number of cards in use April 30		24,343

*Chiefly the cards of recent applicants.

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

The records of the order and catalogue departments show almost as large a ratio of increase as those of the issue department. During the last full year of the old library the net growth was 3,324 volumes, and the average of the previous five years was less than 4,000 volumes. The first year of the free library shows a net gain of nearly 12,000 volumes. The announcement that the library is growing three times as fast as heretofore will undoubtedly be gratifying to our citizens; but it will convey to the average reader no idea of the amount of work involved in the selection, purchase and cataloguing of such a large number of books.

SELECTION OF BOOKS.

The lists presented to the Committee on Books are drawn from three sources: (a) Books directly and formally recommended by readers; (b) The general call for books not in the collection or of which there is not a sufficient number of copies; (c) Lists prepared by the librarian.

Persons who use the library are requested to recommend books which they consider desirable additions. From time to time specialists are invited to inspect the catalogue and point out deficiencies in their respective departments. The person who recommends a book is notified when it is ready for issue and is thus given an opportunity to be the first to draw it.

All the assistants are instructed to note calls for books not in the collection, or of which there are not enough copies, and also to call attention to inquiries that can not be answered for want of books containing the desired information. Two-thirds of the past year's additions consisted of additional copies of books most in demand. The highest number of copies of any book added to the regular collection was 68 copies of the Count of Monte Cristo; next to this in adult fiction was Vanity Fair, 50 copies; followed by Les Miserables, 37; David Copperfield, 36; Henry Esmond, 29; Ivanhoe, 27; Uncle Tom's Cabin, 25, and Scarlet Letter, 22. Among books for children Little Women takes the lead with the addition of 53 copies, followed by 49 of Jo's Boys, 44 of Tom Sawyer, 41 of Under the Lilacs, 36 of Little Men,

28 of Andersen's Fairy Tales and 22 each of Robinson Crusoe and Arabian Nights. These figures, as I have said, apply to the regular collection. Including the "Collection of Duplicates"* they are exceeded by "Trilby," of which 100 copies were bought, six for the regular library and 94 for the Collection of Duplicates.

The preparation of purchase lists of new books and of books required for the filling out of the various departments constitutes no inconsiderable or unimportant part of a librarian's duties. He must note in publisher's announcements the new books that appear from time to time; and, by reading reviews or personal examination, he must inform himself as to their respective merits. He must consider the special wants of his community and choose with due regard to the strength or weakness of the collection in various directions. To obtain at reasonable prices books that are out of print and in general to make the most of the book fund, he must scan the catalogues of second-hand booksellers and auction sales and use his judgment in bidding or making purchases when prompt action is necessary. In all his purchases and recommendations he must carefully consider whether the proposed expenditure is the very best use to which the requisite money can be put. He is fortunate if, as has been the case in this library for many years, he has a thoroughly competent committee to make the final decision.

The lists for presentation to the Book Committee are made up in this way. The librarian marks in the Publisher's Weekly, and numerous publishers' catalogues and

*A special collection consisting of duplicate copies of popular books, chiefly those for which there is an eager and multitudinous, but temporary, demand. They are issued on special cards at the rate of 5 cents a volume per week. These books more than pay for themselves and thus the urgent demand for ephemeral (or untested) literature is supplied without encroaching unduly on the regular revenues of the library.

As the demand diminishes and all of these copies no longer "go" in the Collection of Duplicates, they are gradually transferred to the regular collection. The rights of the average card-holder are in no wise abridged. It would be manifestly impracticable to buy 100 or 50, or even 10, copies of every favorite of the hour. But readers who do not care to buy duplicate cards profit by the plan, since the 94 copies in the collection of duplicates lessens very much the number of competitors for the 6 copies in the regular library.

circulars, and also in the Literary World, New York Nation, and other reviews, the books which he regards as most desirable. The titles, with notes when obtainable, are cut and pasted, or copied on cards, which are submitted to the Book Committee.

PURCHASE OF BOOKS.

The titles approved by the Book Committee are turned over to the order department. The assistant in charge of this work first ascertains whether any of the books are already in the collection or among outstanding orders. She then sends the lists of different kinds of books to the proper bookseller or agent. The cards which served for presentation to the committee are now placed in a tray with cards for books previously ordered, and together they constitute the "order list," which is kept always arranged alphabetically according to the authors, so that at any moment we can ascertain whether a certain book has been ordered.

When a lot of books is received, the bills are first examined and checked to see that every book billed is received and that prices and discounts are satisfactory. Note is also taken of the edition; and books that are not up to a reasonable standard in paper and print are returned. Then the card corresponding to each book is taken from the order tray and inserted in the book to which it belongs. The printed cards from the Library Bureau and those with publisher's weekly entries serve a further purpose by insertion in the card catalogue. Some of the other cards contain notes which are used as explained later; and others are the original recommendation slips, which go with the books to the issue department and serve as instructions to notify the persons who recommend the books of their arrival. The bills (in duplicate) being checked and certified correct in each item and the total are handed to the accountant, who makes them up into vouchers for transmission to the City Auditor.

CATALOGUING OF BOOKS.

The order clerk having finished with the books, the librarian examines each to determine in what class it shall be placed, occasionally inserting a direction to notify some person or persons presumed to be interested in a line of

reading of the addition of one or more books on that subject. The books then pass into the cataloguing room, where they go through the following process:

First, they are " entered " in a large blank book (19"x14") called the "accession catalogue" or "entry ledger." Each page of this ledger contains 50 lines consecutively numbered in the manufacture of the book. The number on each line is given to the volume " entered " on that line; and the last number used shows the total number of volumes that have been added to the collection since the organization of the library. For example, the page that was used on May 27th contained the numbers 110551 to 110600 and the last volume " accessioned" on that day was on the line numbered 110559, which indicated that this book was the 110559th volume catalogued since the formation of the collection. This number is stamped in two places in the book—the title page and the pocket—and serves to identify the volume. There may be in the collection other books of the same author, title and imprint; but there can be no other with the same " accession number." It is absolutely identified by its place in the chronological, numerical series in the "accession ledger." The same number is never given to another book under any circumstances.

In the entry ledger the following facts are noted regarding each book, under printed headings extending across both pages: *Date of entry, accession number, author, title, volume, place of publication, publisher, date, size, class, additions classified, volumes bought, volumes given, periodicals bound, pamphlets bound, from whom obtained, publisher's price, discount, net price, binding, remarks.* At the end of each month a summary is made of the month's accessions, showing how many volumes were added to the regular library and how many to the collection of duplicates; how many volumes were bought, how many given and how many were obtained by the binding of pamphlets; how many volumes were in the English language, how many German, French and other languages; and finally, how many belonged to each of the ten main classes into which the collection is divided. These statistics are entered in the ledger and reported to the board at its regular monthly meetings.

On the pocket of each book, besides the "accession number," the class number and the "catch-word" are written. These serve to show the place of a book on the shelves and thus enable the runners to find it when it is called for and the shelvers to replace it in its proper position. The class number is written also on the first page.

The same number that is stamped on the pocket and title page of a book is also stamped on two cards. One of these cards is used in recording the loan of the book, as will be explained under the proper head. The other contains, besides the number, a brief designation of the book by author, title and class; and as long as the book remains in possession of the library it is represented by this card. These cards are kept in drawers arranged in classes, and in each class alphabetically according to author, in exactly the same order as the books on the shelves, and constitute the "shelf list," by means of which the "inventory" is taken and the exact contents of the collection ascertained from time to time. The accession ledger shows how many books have belonged to the library from the beginning, how each was obtained, *etc.*: the shelf-list shows what books are now in the collection, how many copies of a given work are on hand, *etc.* As books are worn out or lost from time to time the fact is noted on the cards representing these books and posted in the entry ledger, which is kept in the safe as the final evidence of the contents of the library and a complete record of the collection from the beginning. The shelf-list and the entry ledger supplement each other, one furnishing the information that the other does not contain: in one we find a book by its number; in the other by its class and name.

Besides the "book card" (or "charging card") and the shelf-list card, at least three other cards must be made for each work—one for the official author catalogue, the others for the two divisions of the public catalogue. Each of these three contains a fuller description of the book than the shelf-list. One is written with a pen, the others copied on the typewriter. The original can be properly made only by a trained cataloguer whose handwriting is as plain

as print. In the shelf-list every volume of a set is treated individually: in the catalogue a work is treated as a unit though it may be in twenty volumes. Four cards for each work is a minimum; sometimes a single volume requires twenty cards. The cataloguing of the past year's accessions involved the writing of about 60,000 cards.

After the books are thus catalogued, there still remains other work to be done before they are ready for circulation. The pockets, stamped and written as explained above, must be pasted securely to the inside of the cover; and, for each volume that circulates, a "book card" stamped with the accession number, and supplied with class number, "catch word"* and title is written. This remains in the pocket when the book is on the shelf and represents the book and tells who has it when it is "out." In addition to all this the stamp of the "St. Louis Public (Free) Library," with the date, must be impressed on at least four pages of each volume. Books with plates sometimes require a hundred impressions. Then, at last, the book is ready to perform its mission.

This process of preparation, though minor details have been omitted, may seem prolonged and cumbersome; but there is not a step in it that does not contribute to the safe keeping and orderly bestowal of the books or facilitate their circulation. In the work of the catalogue department comes also the preparation of a weekly list of additions for a local paper and of the list for our *Monthly Bulletin*. Both lists are annotated, and for this the note cards before referred to are utilized.

*The "catch word" is the word by which the book is found in the catalogue or on the shelves. Ordinarily it is the author; in the class of biography, where books are arranged according to subject instead of author, the catch word is the subject; while in anonymous works the first word of the title is used as the catch word.

I trust that the foregoing summary of the process of cataloguing will give greater significance to the following table:

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1895.

CLASSES.	Reg. Library.	Col. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	63		63
Theology	199		199
Social Science	815		815
Natural Science	958		958
Art and Poetry	350	2	352
Fiction	5,007	561	5,568
Juvenile Literature	2,760	5	2,765
Literary Miscellany	278		278
Travels and History	738		738
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	332		332
	11,500	568	12,068
SOURCE.			
Purchase	10,082	568	10,650
Gift	1,015		1,015
Pamphlets, bound	44		44
Periodicals, bound	359		359
	11,500	568	12,068
LANGUAGE.			
English	11,168	568	11,736
French	77		77
German	239		239
Other	16		16
	11,500		12,068

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned	723
Lost and paid for	67
Charged to readers	10
Total	800
Total additions	12,192
Less above	800
Net increase	11,392

Of the 723 volumes worn out 566 were replaced by new copies; and of the 67 volumes lost and paid for, 54 were so replaced.

The chief aim of the Book Committee during the past year has been to supply the demand for popular books. Therefore nearly 7,000 out of the 12,000 volumes added were multiple copies of popular novels and books for the young. Those purchased in the greatest numbers were, for the most part, the best books in these two classes; and the figures given on a previous page furnish gratifying evidence of the steady popularity of the great works of fiction. But omitting from the count these and new books in the same line, there is left of books in other classes more than the average total of the previous five years; and it must be remembered that novels and juveniles are very cheap and that the amount

of money expended for them is not indicated by their number. While constituting nearly two-thirds of the year's additions, their cost was probably not more than one-third of the total expenditure for books. The average cost per volume of all the books purchased was 97 cents; this included many volumes published at $4.00 or $5.00, and a considerable number of more costly works. Among the year's purchases were 329 back volumes of periodicals needed to fill gaps in sets.

The character of the more expensive and important additions is represented by the following examples:

BARTLETT, J.—Concordance to Shakespeare. Folio.
BROCKHAUS' Konversations Lexikon. New Ed.—13 Vol.
BROWN, H. F.—John Addington Symonds. 2 Vol.
DAVIS, C. T.—Manufacture of Leather.
DOLMETSCH, H.—Ornamental Treasure. Folio.
FLUEGEL, F.—Universal English-German, and German-English Dictionary. 4th Ed.—3 Vol.
GELIS-DIDOT, P., and LAMBERT, T.—Hotels et Maisons du Paris. Quarto.
HAKLUYT, R.—Early English Voyages to America. Quarto.
HALLIBURTON, W. D.—Text book of Chemical Physiology.
HAMILTON, D. J.—Text book of Pathology.
HARE, J. I. C.—American Constitutional Law. 2 Vol.
JUNGHAENDEL, M.—Baukunst Spaniens. 2 Vol. Quarto.
KUNZ, G. F.—Gems and Precious Stones. Quarto.
LIBERATOR.—1852-65. 14 Vol.
MACEWEN, W.—Atlas of Head Sections. Quarto.
PARDOE, J.—Life of Marie de Medicis. 3 Vol.
PARIS.—Salon. 1894. Folio.
REMON, G.—Interieur d'apartements Moderne. Folio.
ROSE, G. M.—Cyclopaedia of Biography.
TUCKERMAN, A. L.—Renaissance in Italy. Folio.
ZANDER, W.—Modern Decorative Painting. Folio.

PROGRESS ON THE NEW CATALOGUE.

The foregoing figures do not, however, represent half of the cataloguing of the year. From October 1st the whole time of two of the assistant cataloguers has been devoted to the re-cataloguing begun under the former Board of Managers. From June 13th, 1894, to the end of the year, 14,377 volumes were re-catalogued. Prior to June 13th this work was suspended by the necessity of using all the available force to expedite the preparations for the change to a free library. Thus far classes 1-62, with the exception of classes 27 and 52-58 (public documents and the medical collection,) are re-catalogued, all the cards written and made available to the public. From 63 to 83 the books have

been re-catalogued but the duplicate cards have not been typewritten. In general, it may be said that the new card catalogue is at least half finished. It will be a great improvement over the present catalogue; and its completion is no less desired by the staff than by the public.

MONTHLY BULLETIN.

The publication of a *Monthly Bulletin* was begun in October. This gives in each issue a list of the additions of the preceding month, with notes on the more important books. It also contains reading lists from time to time. Thus far lists on Emerson and Holmes have been published. In March the first instalment of a fiction catalogue was printed, which when completed will be re-published in pamphlet form from the Bulletin plates. The Bulletin further serves as a medium of communication with readers. It costs the library nothing, the publisher finding his profit in its attractiveness as an advertising medium. Proof reading for the lists of new books and the fiction list has added another small item to the work of the catalogue department.

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES.

During the year 1074 volumes and 1362 pamphlets were received as donations and exchanges. A complete list of donors will be found in an appendix. The largest single entry is 292 volumes and 26 pamphlets from the United States Department of the Interior. The citizens who have made the most substantial contributions to the collection this year are Miss L. B. Halstead, 53 volumes; Mr. Eliot C. Jewett, 133 volumes; Mr. F. N. Judson, 71 volumes and 23 pamphlets, and Mr. E. C. Rowse, 28 volumes, all either members of ex-members of the Library Board.

Among our most valued exchanges are the State libraries of New York, Vermont and Nebraska, which are credited in the appendix with 46 volumes, 11 volumes and 32 volumes respectively, besides numerous pamphlets.

It is cause for congratulation that, through the thoughtfulness of Representative Joseph T. Tatum, a law was passed at the recent session of the Legislature requiring all State publications to be sent to this library. This is eminently wise and proper. State documents and reports of institu-

tions are published at the people's expense and for their information; and the only way to disseminate this information is to distribute the publications to free libraries, where anybody who wishes to see them can have ready access to them. The same principle applies to United States documents, which have been sent indiscriminately to private individuals and denied to public libraries, where they would be preserved and made available to all who might seek the information they contain. All United States publications should be promptly sent to the principal libraries of the country, which should also receive the publications of their several states. The distribution should be automatic, in accordance with a general law, and independent of the action of any legislator or congressman.

The 1074 volumes and 1362 pamphlets listed in the appendix were not, in one sense, clear gifts—*i. e.*, they were not obtained without the expenditure of some time and effort. Most of them, like those specified above, came unsolicited; others were obtained by writing for them. It is usually easy to obtain reports of organizations and institutions and the various publications of state and city officers and departments, by applying at the time of their issue: with delay comes difficulty. To systematize this work a page in a blank book provided for the purpose is given to each State and Territory in the Union and to each of the principal cities of the United States and Canada. On its page are listed all the reports and documents of each state and city with the dates of their publication. The index to this book shows not only on what page each State and city is to be found but also refers under each month to the publications that appear at that time, which (if not already received) are regularly written for. At the time this index was prepared, about two years ago, an earnest effort was made to secure the more important city and state documents from the beginning up to date. It is, however, generally the latest reports, *etc.*, that are wanted; and these, I trust, may always in future be found on our shelves.

The greater part of our donations and exchanges consists of pamphlets. Obtaining them is the smallest part of

the work involved. The disposition of pamphlets is one of the most troublesome questions of library administration. It hardly overstates the truth to say that, in general, the trouble caused in caring for a publication and making it available is inversely proportioned to its size and value. From the account I gave under *Binding* of our treatment of pamphlets, it will be seen that it is something of a task to keep in order and available a collection of thousands of pamphlets with an annual increase of ten or fifteen hundred.

Donations and exchanges, whether volumes or pamphlets, are promptly acknowledged and recorded on cards alphabeted by the donor's name. From these it is easy to ascertain what has come from a given source and how many books and pamphlets have been received up to date. At the end of the year this record is transcribed and printed as an appendix to the annual report.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

The inventory begun in April could not be finished in time for this report. Using last year's hastily taken inventory as a basis, the following figures furnish a close approximation to the contents of the collection. It is safe to say that the total given is under, rather than over, the actual number of volumes now in possession of the library.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, MAY 1, 1895.

Philosophy	1,151
Theology	4,517
Social Science	14,204
Natural Science	13,376
Art and Poetry	5,804
Fiction	17,324
Juvenile Literature	7,459
Literary Miscellany	5,646
Travels and History	13,303
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	9,297
	92,081
Collection of duplicates	1,461
South Branch	1,909
Total of entered books	95,451
Books not yet catalogued (about)	3,000
Unentered duplicates (about)	3,000
Volumes of unbound magazines (about)	900
	102,351
Less books worn out, lost, *etc.*, since last inventory was taken	848
Total May 1, 1895	101,503

TAKING THE INVENTORY.

The results of the present stock-taking will appear in my next annual report; but it seems proper to add to the account of other work an explanation of the method by which the exact number of volumes in the collection and in each class is ascertained.

The "shelf-list," as already explained, consists of over 95,000 cards arranged in drawers in exactly the same order as the books on the shelves. Each book has its corresponding card bearing the same accession number, author and title. One of the drawers—say the one containing classes 1 to 4—is taken to the section of the stack where the books in those classes are shelved. Two assistants must work together. One takes the first book on the shelf in "class 1" and calls out its author, title and accession number. The other finds the corresponding card and notes its agreement in all particulars with the book. Then the book and card are stamped "95", and the next book is taken. This goes on through all the classes in the collection. If all the books could be called in, the task would be comparatively simple and easy; it would consist merely in comparing and stamping 100,000 books and as many cards. But with 10,000 to 12,000 books in circulation and 1000 to 2000 coming in and going out every day, the process is much more difficult. After a class has been inventoried the shelvers are instructed not to put up any books in that class unless it is stamped. Those not stamped are set aside; and the first thing each morning the stock-takers go over them, stamping book and card. Books coming back from the bindery are treated in the same manner. They must not be shelved or issued till they have been inventoried. In a book provided for that purpose are listed at the time of their withdrawal from circulation all the books that are worn out during the year, and in another blank book the books that are lost and paid for or sold. These records are posted monthly onto the shelf-list, and the absence of the books listed is thus accounted for. This posting, if not up to date, must be completed during the taking of the inventory. But, with 2000 to 4000 volumes passing over the counter every day and 1000 books a month going to and returning from

the bindery, it is impossible, in spite of all the care that can be exercised, to "catch" every volume the first or second "round." The next step in the process is to make a list of the books in each class that have not been "accounted for." The books on these lists are then looked for on the regular shelves and among unentered duplicates, in their proper places and in all places, likely and unlikely. The missing lists are also compared with the lists of books withdrawn, lost and sold, to see if they escaped at the first examination; and finally the record of the books in circulation is searched. The missing list is thus reduced, at first, easily and rapidly, and afterwards slowly and laboriously, till there remains a list of volumes that for the time being must be reported as "unaccounted for." Some of these turn up months afterwards; and at every stock-taking books reappear that were not found at the last.

The main object of all this work is, of course, to ascertain just what and how many volumes the library has in its possession. There are besides various incidental results. In the first place, the comparison of each book with its shelf-list card leads to the discovery and correction of all sorts of minor mistakes that will creep in among the numerous details of the cataloguing work. The list of books unaccounted for furnishes the Book Committee with an authoritative guide for its work; and at the same time shows the Committee on Administration whether greater precautions are necessary for the safekeeping of the books.

BINDING.

During the year 781 volumes (periodicals and books received in paper covers) were bound for the first time at a cost of $525.41, an average of 67 1-3 cents per volume; 2874 volumes were rebound at a cost of $1,275.95, or 44 1-2 cents per volume. Besides these, 7427 volumes were repaired in the library. These cost for labor and material $277.70, an average of 3 2-3 cents. The repairing occupied about three-fourths of the time of a binder's apprentice, the remainder being given to pasting in book pockets and other similar

jobs. That there is considerable work in the repairing of over 7000 volumes is readily understood: how much is involved in having 3655 volumes bound by contract is not so apparent. It seems a very simple thing, requiring scarcely any expenditure of time or thought, to have a binder call for 3000 to 4000 volumes in the course of a year and bring them back bound. But this is not all there is to it.

SENDING BOOKS TO THE BINDERY.

First,—binding for the first time. This comprises books bought in paper covers, numerous volumes of periodicals and pamphlets put together into volumes, making in all last year 781 volumes.

Pamphlets that are to be bound together must be of similar size, and it is at least highly desirable that they shall be on closely allied, if not the same, subject. Before being made up into volumes, they are kept in order in pamphlet boxes, which have class-marks on the lid to indicate the character of the pamphlets contained. When a sufficient number of pamphlets of a kind and size have accumulated, they are bound into a volume. (The volume is entered in the accession ledger just like a book; but in cataloguing, each pamphlet is treated individually, so that a volume comprising ten pamphlets would require more than thirty cards. This belongs to the cataloguing; but it seems to call for mention here).

Periodicals must be carefully collated to see if they are complete, and missing numbers must be written for. The volume is then entered as a book, and all volumes, whether books, periodicals or pamphlets, are treated as follows:—

They are first arranged into groups according to the style of binding, half morocco, full duck, etc., and in each group alphabetically. Each volume is then entered on a blank divided by vertical lines into sections headed *Binder's Number*, *Accession Number*, *Author and Title*, *Volume Number*, *Class Number*, *Cost*, *Style of Binding*, *Remarks*. Each book has the "binder's number" penciled on the first page back of the title page. A new series is begun with the first of

each library year; and the last number at any time shows how many volumes have been sent to the bindery up to that date. The binder's number is placed opposite the entry of each volume on the binder's blank and takes the place ordinarily filled by the accession number in identifying the book. These blanks thus filled out constitute the binder's bills and are returned by him with the books. A letter-press copy of them is taken, which gives the library a record of all books at the bindery. When the books come back they are checked off in the "binder's book" (the letter-press copy of the bills) and are prepared for use by the process described under cataloguing.

RE-BINDING.

The preparation and billing of new books is a simpler matter than classifying and giving directions for the re-binding of old books. This is a task that calls for knowledge, experience and judgment. The person who does the responsible work of sorting the books must consider in each case; 1st, whether the book should be condemned as not worth the cost of re-binding and no good in its present condition; or, 2d, whether, though not worth the cost of rebinding, it still has some service in it and should go back to the shelves to be worn out completely; or, 3d, whether the library binder can repair it; or, 4th, if it is to go to the bindery, whether it shall be replaced in the same cover; or, 5th, if entirely rebound, whether it shall be in cloth, or leather, or duck.

The judgment necessary for the proper performance of this work implies a knowledge of the use to which individual books are likely to be put, the wearing qualities of different kinds of binding, the limitations of the repairer's skill, the cost of replacing the book under consideration, and, in addition to other technical requirements, general good sense and that underlying conscientiousness which is the foundation of all satisfactory work—the more essential when the work is one of seemingly insignificant details.

This being done, the measuring of each volume, filling the blanks and copying them in the binder's book and checking

them off when returned are simple clerical details; but they take time when the volumes, twice handled, reach into the thousands. With volumes rebound there is another little item in the process that does not pertain to new binding: the book-cards must be removed from the pockets and arranged in a tray to be taken out and replaced on the return of the books. Until recently new pockets had to be written; but the experiment is now being tried of paying the binder for removing the pockets from the old covers and replacing them on the new.

CIRCULATION.

Though the library was not opened free till June and was not under fair headway till August, the home issue is more than four times that of the previous year and nearly three times that of the years preceding. The increase from an issue of 4000 volumes in May of 1894 to more than 40,000 in March of 1895 sufficiently attests the greater usefulness of a free library. It will be observed that against this enormous increase in the circulation of books for home reading there is some loss in the issue of books for use in the library. Some of this is probably due to the greater freedom of access to reference books: most of it, however, must be attributed to the fact that many persons who did their reading at the library, because they could not afford the subscription fee, now take home the books they want to read. There has been, at the same time, a much greater gain in the issue of current periodicals in the reading-room. This, I think, comes from two sources: first, the making of the institution really a public library brings to it many who did not know that the Reading-Room had been free for twenty years; second, frequenters, who formerly read books in the Reading-Room, being able now to take books home, devote all their time while at the library to reading periodicals, thus lessening the issue of books and increasing that of periodicals.

Full details regarding the issue in all departments will be found in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1895.

	Home Issue.							
	Main Library.	South Branch.	Station II.	Station III.	Total.	Library Issue.	Reading-Room Issue.	Total.
May	4,374				4,374	4,379	12,838	21,591
June	9,314	581			9,895	2,651	9,001	21,547
July	18,951	1,044			19,995	2,832	8,236	31,063
August	24,541	1,300			25,841	2,526	7,624	35,991
September	23,090	1,243			24,333	2,680	11,691	38,704
October	27,056	1,222			28,278	3,301	14,517	46,096
November	30,113	1,441			31,554	3,126	15,774	50,454
December	32,479	1,428			33,907	3,063	17,003	53,973
January	34,808	1,430	420		36,658	3,830	19,573	60,061
February	33,183	1,488	512		35,183	4,483	17,012	56,678
March	39,598	1,390	758	61	41,807	4,207	17,549	63,563
April	37,480	1,369	680	72	39,601	3,550	14,541	57,692
1894-95	314,987	13,936	2,370	133	331,426	40,628	165,359	537,413
1893-94	72,985	2,404			75,389	59,394	136,881	271,664
Gain	242,002	11,532	2,370	133	256,037		28,478	265,749
Loss						18,766		

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	1,483	.44	751	1.85	2,234	1.15
Theology	1,676	.50	1,469	3.60	3,145	2.05
Social Science	4,584	1.38	2,978	7.35	7,562	4.37
Natural Science	7,871	2.37	5,454	13.41	13,325	7.89
Art	8,211	2.47	3,649	8.98	11,860	5.73
Fiction	196,402	59.26	10,267	25.27	206,669	42.26
Juveniles	82,211	24.85	2,503	6.16	84,714	15.50
Literary Miscellany	7,046	2.12	2,874	7.09	9,920	4.60
Geography and History	17,831	5.37	6,082	14.97	23,913	10.17
Cyclopaedias and Magazines	4,111	1.24	4,601	11.32	8,712	6.28
	331,426	100.00	40,628	100.00	372,054	100.00

An attempt at a rough classification of the current periodicals issued in the Reading-Room is presented in the following table:

CLASSIFIED READING ROOM ISSUE.

	Issue.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	156	.09
Theology	2,061	1.25
Social Science	50,515	30.54
Natural Science	22,536	13.63
Art	1,569	.95
Fiction	7,923	4.79
Juveniles	25,214	15.25
Literary Miscellany	806	49
Geography and History	54,579	33.01
Total	165,359	100.00

SUMMARIES.

	1893-4.	1894-5.
Home issue, regular library	65,418	319,440
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	9,971	11,986
Total home issue	75,389	331,426
Library issue	59,394	40,628
Total issue of books	134,783	372,054
Reading-room issue	136,881	165,359
Total issue in all depts	271,664	537,413
Total issue in all depts., 1893-4		271,664
Increase in 1894-5		265,749

The library was open every day in the year. Particulars regarding the Sunday and holiday issue, maximum, minimum and daily averages will be found below. The holiday issue justifies the policy of the board in keeping the library open, especially on those days that are not generally observed. On Washington's birthday, for example, 1280 volumes were drawn for home reading, and the total issue was 1965. The smallest record was on Christmas, with a home issue of 32 and a total of 274.

No account is kept of those who visit the Newspaper-Reading-Room on the second floor. From August 12, when the registers were put in, to April 30, less than nine months, 391,205 persons were carried up to the rooms on the sixth and seventh floors,

Largest week day issue, Saturday, March 2, 1895.		Smallest week day issue, Thursday, May 17, 1894.	
Home issue	2,562	Home issue	78
Library issue	197	Library issue	96
Reading-room issue	789	Reading-room issue	333
Total	3,548	Total	507
Largest Sunday issue, January 20, 1895.		Smallest Sunday issue, September 9, 1894.	
Library issue	84	Library issue	30
Reading-room issue	384	Reading-room issue	105
Total	468	Total	135
Average Sunday issue.		Total Sunday issue.	
Library issue	64	Library issue	3,311
Reading-room issue	225	Reading-room issue	11,723
Total	289	Total	15,034
Average daily issue.		Average week day issue.	
Home issue	1,058	Home issue	1,058
Library issue	111	Library issue	130
Reading-room issue	453	Reading-room issue	525
Total	1,622	Total	1,713

HOLIDAY ISSUE.

	Home.	Library.	R. Room.	Total.
July Fourth	79	81	134	294
Thanksgiving	158	62	211	431
Christmas	32	68	174	274
New Year	153	95	326	574
Washington's Birthday	1,289	202	474	1,965
	1,711	508	1,319	3,538
Average	342	101	264	707

CHARACTER OF THE READING.

After noting the character of the additions for the year no one will be surprised to find that there was a great increase in the ratio of fiction drawn for home reading. In my report for 1890 I called attention to the decrease of the fiction percentage in the preceding eight years from 62 per cent to 52 1-2. During the past year it rose again to 59 per cent. In view of the large influx of new readers, I expected it would go higher. It is gratifying to know from the records of this and former years that the novels issued oftenest are, in general and in the long run, the best

novels, those which the general consensus has pronounced the finest examples of imaginative prose. Each season has its passing favorite; but the great masterpieces of fiction, like Les Miserables and Vanity Fair, David Copperfield, Ivanhoe and Scarlet Letter, hold their high places year after year and decade after decade.

A careful compilation of the records for December, January and February showed that during those months the following twenty books were drawn more often than any others. They are given in the order of popularity with the number of times each was issued:

Vanity Fair	542	First Violin	237
Count of Monte Cristo	523	Heavenly Twins	237
Les Miserables	474	Saracinesca	217
Ben Hur	412	At the Mercy of Tiberius	213
David Copperfield	358	The Fair God	180
Ivanhoe	327	Gretchen	165
Wandering Jew	304	Charles O'Malley	154
Colonel's Daughter	297	Uncle Tom's Cabin	137
Scarlet Letter	295	One Summer	136
Trilby	263	Marcella	131

Pressure of more important affairs prevented the continuance of this collation of statistics through the months of March and April. If these months had been included Trilby would undoubtedly have ranked much higher. It may be of interest to note the circulation of a few books in other lines as evidence of the fact that all reading is not purely for entertainment. During a period of six months Bulfinch's Age of Fable (ten copies) was issued 74 times; Mrs. Custer's Boots and Saddles, 27 times; Meadowcroft's A. B. C. of electricity, 22 times; Roe's Play and Profit in My Garden, 18 times; Kant's Critique of Pure Reason, 14 times, and George's Progress and Poverty, 12 times.

WORK OF THE ISSUE DEPARTMENT.

Every detail of library administration has one and the same aim; the activities of every one connected with it, from president to messenger boy, converge at the same point. The board determining the general policy of the institution and the apprentice pasting in labels are working towards the same end. That is to get books into the hands of the people, to offer them every facility for reading and every inducement to read, and to do this with as little expense as

is consistent with the accomplishment of what is the primary and the ultimate object of the library's existence. The end and aim of the public library is tersely and comprehensively presented by the motto of the American Library Association: "The best reading to the greatest number at the least cost."

All the details of the processes I have described have been chosen, or adapted, or invented, solely for the accomplishment of this object. If, then, the final process of issuing and receiving books is not well adapted to the end in view all of the previous work is of little avail. Next to intelligence and courtesy and activity on the part of the assistants in the issue department, the most important element of satisfactory service is a good method of issuing and receiving books and recording loans.

CHARGING SYSTEM.

The chief desiderata of a charging system are rapidty and accuracy. Statistics are a minor consideration. The public cares nothing for statistics: they are only a means to an end; and the end should never be sacrificed to the means. Our charging system possesses, I think, the highest degree of speed that is consistent with accuracy and the greatest accuracy consistent with the requisite rapidity; while it furnishes all the statistics that have any constant value. Twenty-five hundred volumes having been issued in a day, nearly all in ten hours, it is evident that during the busiest part of the day as many as 250 volumes per hour were given out. It would not be difficult to go far beyond this. A book can be received and receipted for within five seconds, provided everything is all right and there is no fine to be paid. It requires nothing but stamping the reader's card. The issuing of a book takes longer, involving the writing of the reader's number and stamping the "due date" in three places, but by putting on more clerks the rate can be indefinitely increased. In the hurry of receiving 2500 books and issuing as many more in a day, mistakes can hardly be altogether avoided; but our plan prevents the possibility of controversy with readers over charges believed by them to be incorrect. The question can be settled at

once by an examination of the reader's card. It is much easier to explain the system by actual illustration than by words. It is hoped that the following description will be clear, at least to those familiar with other charging systems. As stated in my last report, the plan is essentially the same as that in use for several years at Newark, which was pronounced the best of the numerous systems exhibited at the Columbian Exposition.

Each reader is given a card, which must be presented whenever a book is drawn, returned or renewed. On one side of this card is his name and a few important directions; on the other side his number and thirty spaces for charge and cancellation.

Each circulating volume has in it, while in the library, a book card, on which is written the accession number, author, title and class. When the book is out this card is in the charging tray.

To get a book for home use the applicant hands to the receiving clerk his reader's card with a list of books wanted. This list and card are given to a runner who gets the first book on the list that is in and leaves book, card and list with the issue clerk.

If a book is to be returned, it, with card and list of books wanted, is handed to the receiving clerk. The current date, *i. e.*, the date of its return, is stamped on the card, which, with the list, is given to a runner as before, and the book is issued by the issue clerk. The book that was just returned is given to the clerk at the charging tray, who takes the book-card from the tray and replaces it in the pocket of the book, which is then ready to be put back on the shelves.

When a book is issued the card-holder's number, which appears on his card, is written on the book-card and the date when the book will be due is stamped opposite. This same date is also stamped on the reader's card and on a label pasted opposite the inside cover. This last entry is necessary in order to find the book-card in the charging tray without detaining the person returning the book.

During the day the book-cards which represent the day's issue, after being counted for the report of circulation, are

arranged by authors in a tray under the date when the books will fall due.

"Collection of Duplicates" and extra books are issued in the same manner but on extra cards. These cards can be bought at the receiving desk at the following prices: Single issue, 5 cents; five issues, 25 cents; ten issues, 50 cents, and twenty-five issues, $1.

A book can be renewed by either of three ways:

1st. If the book is brought to the library it is handed to the receiving clerk, who is told that it is to be renewed. The book-card is then looked up, and the proper charge is made by the issue clerk.

2d. If by mail, the reader's card must be sent with a memorandum of the author and title of the book and a stamped and addressed envelope for the return of the card. From these memoranda an assistant renews the book and returns the card.

3d. When the card only is brought to the library the reader's card with a slip bearing author and title of book to be renewed is handed to the receiving clerk. The new dates are stamped on the card immediately and the slip mentioned above filed until the next day, when the book is renewed with the mail requests.

This seems an elaborate and cumbrous system when set forth in words. That it is really very expeditious is shown by the fact that we have, without effort or confusion, issued 2500 volumes in a day.

NOTIFICATIONS, FINES AND PENALTIES.

A fine of two cents a day is charged on all overdue books. When a book is six days overdue a postal card is sent calling attention to the fact. On the 10th day a second notice, quoting the city ordinance covering the case, is sent under seal. If no attention is paid to this on the 15th day a messenger is sent after the book. If this does not bring a satisfactory response the guarantor is notified; and at the end of thirty days the whole matter is turned over to the City Attorney for prosecution.

The sending out of these notices adds an appreciable item to the work of the issue department, occupying the time

of an assistant for about an hour and a half every day. The notices to readers sent out in the ordinary routine of the issue and registration departments reached an aggregate of 6283 for the year—3852 for books overdue; 836 for books renewed; 270 notifications of new books added; 1325 miscellaneous, relating chiefly to the registration.

The city ordinance for the protection of library property makes it a misdemeanor not to return books after notification; and it is the duty of the City Attorney "promptly to prosecute all violations of this ordinance." Thus far very few cases have called for legal action. In January, eight delinquents were reported to the City Attorney; of these five settled before going to trial; two had left the city, and the court, being unable to get a personal service, continued the cases indefinitely. In the eighth case judgment was rendered in favor of the library and a fine of five dollars and costs was assessed.

Besides these three books, seven others drawn for use in the rooms have not yet been found.

It is encouraging and doubly gratifying to note the fact that out of more than half a million books and periodicals issued only ten were not returned. This result indicates that St. Louis will confirm the experience of other cities as to the general trustworthiness of the people who use a free library.

THE LIBRARY STAFF.

The great increase in the work has necessitated a large increase in the list of employees. With the exception of the three assistant cataloguers the additions have consisted entirely of apprentices and messengers. All appointments have been made by competitive examination. The questions are adapted to the position to be filled, the examinations of messenger boys being much more elementary than that of the young women who enter as apprentices. The latter must have at least the equivalent of a first class high school education and must pass a fair examination in general history, general literature and general information, and show some knowledge of at least two foreign languages. Success in

the examination, which is competitive, secures a probationary appointment as apprentice, and subsequent advancement depends on efficiency.

I cannot close this record of the year's work without bearing hearty testimony to the efficiency and industry and general good spirit of the staff. Its work has reflected the singleness of purpose and perfect harmony of action that has characterized the Board and exemplifies the power of a common aim—and that a high one—to call forth the best that is in people and to secure from them a loyalty and faithfulness that does not pertain to the average of the world's service.

DEATH OF JANITOR HEADE.

No one in the employ of the Library was more actuated by a desire to do his whole duty than Richard Heade, who died after twenty years service as janitor. He will always be remembered by me as among the most honest, conscientious, faithful, painstaking, loyal and pure-hearted men I have ever known.

In conclusion, I beg leave to thank your honorable body for the perfect confidence you have reposed in me, to congratulate you on the successful inauguration of an enterprise fraught with incalculable good to St. Louis, and to bespeak from our citizens the appreciation that is due to your wise administration and disinterested labors.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,

Librarian.

June 8, 1895.

State of Missouri,
City of St. Louis—ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared E. C. Rowse, personally known to me, who being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30th, 1895, on account of city appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDWARD C. ROWSE,
Chairman Auditing Committe Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 8th day of June, 1895.

[Seal.] WM. E. RAYNOR,
Notary Public.

My term expires Nov. 1, 1897.

State of Missouri,
City of St. Louis—ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Mr. F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report to the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 7th day of June, 1895.

[Seal.] GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo.

My official term expires March 14th, 1897.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS, MAY 1, 1894–APRIL 30, 1895.

1074 Volumes and 1362 Pamphlets were received as exchanges and donations from 419 sources, as follow:

	Vols.	Pphs.
Aguilar Free Library, N. Y.	...	2
Alabama, Adjutant General	...	2
Alabama Department of Education	...	1
Alabama Geological Survey	...	1
Amer. Forestry Association	...	3
Amer. Humanitarian League	1	...
Amer. Institute of Homeopathy	1	...
Amer. Laryngological Association	2	...
Amer. Pharmaceutical Association	1	...
Amer. Society for the Extension of University Teaching	...	1
Amer. Swedenborg Printing & Publishing Co.	4	...
Amer. Unitarian Association	...	1
Amherst College, Amherst, Mass	...	3
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, Mass.	...	1
Anonymous	8	...
Appel, Oscar A.	...	1
Argentine Republic, Direccion General de Correosy, Telegrafos	1	...
Arkansas Geological Survey	1	...
Association of Military Surgeons of U. S.	1	...
Astor Library, N. Y.	...	1
Atlanta, Ga., Board of Education	...	2
Austin, Tex., Mayor	1	...
Babcock & Wilcox Co.	3	...
Baillie's Institution, Glasgow, Scot.	...	1
Bakewell, Paul	1	9
Bangor, Me., Public Library	...	1
Barnes, Arthur J.	5	...
Bartholdt, Hon. Richard	...	1
Beckwith, Paul	...	6
Beggs, Dr. William	1	...
Berlin, Magistrats zu	...	2
Bigelow Free Public Library, Clinton, Mass.	...	1
Birmingham, Eng., Free Libraries	...	1
Birmingham, School Board	1	...
Bohemian Gymnastic Assoc., Sokol, St. Louis	1	...
Boston, Mass., Board of Commissioners of Saving Banks	2	...
Boston, Mass., Board of Railroad Comm'rs	1	...
Boston, Mass., Chamber of Commerce	1	...
Boston, Mass., Mayor	...	5
Boston, Mass., Museum of Fine Arts	...	1
Boston, Mass., Public Library	...	1
Boston, Mass., Public Schools	...	6
Boston, Mass., Record Commissioners	2	...
Boston, Mass., Better Dwelling Society	...	1
Boston, Mass., Channing Club	...	3
Boston, Mass., Provident Association	...	1
Boston Society	...	1
Bowditch, Dr. H. P., Cambridge, Mass.	...	1
Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Me.	...	2
Bradlee, Caleb D., Boston	...	2
Brentano Publishing Co., Paris	...	1
Bridgeport, Conn., Public Library	...	1
British Economic Association	...	2
Brokaw, Warren E.	...	1
Brookline, Mass., Public Library	...	4
Brooklyn, N. Y., Brooklyn Library	...	1
Brooklyn, N. Y., Supt. of Public Instruction	...	1
Brown University, Providence, R. I.	...	2
Bryant, William M.	...	1
Buffalo, N. Y., Buffalo Library	...	1
Buffalo, N. Y., Charity Organizatior Soc.	...	1
Butte City, Mont., Public Library	1	...
Cadbury, Richard, Philadelphia	...	1
California State Mining Bureau	...	2
California University	...	8
California World's Fair Commission	1	...
Carpenter, Mrs. Geo. O., Jr.	...	1
Cedar Rapids, Ia., Masonic Library	...	1
Chicago, Ill., Historical Society	...	1
Chicago, Ill., Public Library	...	1
Chicago, Ill., Public Schools	1	...
Chicago, Ill., University of Chicago	...	1
Chicago, Ill., Sunset Club	1	...
Chili, S. A., National Library	1	...
Cincinnati, O., Public Library	...	6
Clerkenwell Public Library, London	...	1
Cleveland, O., Public Library	...	4

	Vols.	Pphs.
Cobb, Hon. Seth W.	7	2
Cobden Club, London	...	4
Coin Publishing Co., Chicago	3	...
Cole, H. W. Albany, N. Y.	1	...
College of New Jersey, Princeton, N. J.	1	...
Columbia College, N. Y.	...	2
Cook, Patrick F.	2	...
Connecticut Historical Society.	...	1
Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.	2	1
Council Bluffs, Ia., Public Library	...	1
Crunden, Frederick M.	...	3
Curtman, Dr. Charles O.	1	...
Davies, John F., Butte, Mont.	1	...
Davis, John D.	...	1
Dayton, O., Public Library	...	1
Debalako, John	5	...
Decatur, Ill., Board of Education	...	1
De Menil, Alexander	...	1
Denver, Col., Board of Charities and Corrections	...	1
Des Moines, Ia., Public Library	1	1
Detroit, Mich., Public Library	1	3
Deutsche Medicinische Gesellschaft, St. Louis	5	36
Dodd, Samuel M.	2	...
Dodge, H. A., San Francisco, Cal	...	1
Donna Anna, New Mexico, Trustee for the Children of Shalam	1	...
Dorren, Mrs. Marie A.	...	1
Dover, N. H., Public Library	...	2
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia	...	3
Dunn, Edward J.	1	...
East St. Louis, Ill., Public Library	3	2
Edgell, George S., N. Y.	2	1
Edinburgh, Scot., Public Library	...	1
Emeny, John J.	...	1
Emmons, Miss Margaret	...	1
Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore, Md.	...	1
Field Columbian Museum, Chicago	...	1
Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, Vt.	...	1
Fort Wayne, Ind., Public Library	...	1
Franklin Institute, Philadelphia.	...	1
Friends' Free Library, Germantown, Pa.	...	1
Georgia Department of Education	...	1
Georgia State Board of Agriculture	1	1
Glasgow, Scot., Stirling's Library	...	1
Glasgow, Scot., University	1	...
Glatfelter, Dr. Noah M.	...	2
Godkin, Edwin L., N. Y.	...	1
Goldstein, Dr. Max A.	...	1
Goubareff, D. N., Beaulieu-sur-Mer, France	...	1
Grand Rapids, Mich., Public Library	...	2
Gravenhage, S., Netherlands, Koninklijke, Bibliotheek	...	2
Greene, Frank T.	1	...
Greene, Hon. S. A., Boston, Mass	4	23
Halsted, Miss Leonora B.	53	...
Hamilton, Ont., Public Library	...	1
Harlem Library, N. Y.	...	4
Harvard College, Cambridge, Mass	2	...
Hartford, Conn., Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	...
Hartford, Conn., Public Library	...	3
Hartford Conn., Theological Seminary	...	1
Hatch, Hon. William H.	...	2
Hazard, R., Peace Dale, R. I.	...	2
Hearn, George A., N. Y.	1	...
Helena, Mont., Public Library	...	16
Holcombe, William H.	...	1
How, Col. James F.	...	2
Howard, J. J., Blackheath, Eng	...	1
Howard Publishing Co., Detroit, Mich	1	1
Illinois Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	2
Illinois, Secretary of State	10	...
Illinois State Board of Agriculture	...	5
Illinois State Dental Society	...	1
Illinois State Historical Library	...	1
Illinois, University of Illinois	1	1
Indiana Bureau of Statistics	2	...
Indiana, State Geologist	2	2
International Congress of Charities, Chicago	1	...
Iowa, Adjutant General	...	1
Iowa Geological Survey	3	...
Iowa, Secretary of State	1	...
Italy, Ministero di Agricoltura.	1	...
Jersey City, N. J., Free Public Library	...	2
Jewett, Eliot C.	133	...
Judson, Frederick N.	71	23
Kansas Academy of Science	2	...
Kansas Board of World's Fair Managers	1	...
Kansas Dept. of Insurance	2	...
Kansas University of Kansas	...	14
Kargau, Ernst D.	1	...
Karst, Emil.	...	3
Kastelic, G. A., N. Y.	...	1
Kaviratna, Avinash C., Calcutta, India	...	5
Kellogg, E. L. & Co., N. Y.	1	...
King, Moses, Boston	2	...
Kirchner, Dr. H. C. A.	2	108
Lancaster, Mass., Public Library	...	1
Lange, Louis, Publisher	...	1
Lawrence, Mass., Public Library	...	5
Lawrence, Dr. J. J.	...	1
Leeds, Eng., Free Public Library	...	1
Leland Stanford Junior University, Palo Alto, Cal.	...	1
Lenox Library, N. Y.	...	1
Leyton, Eng., Public Library	...	1
Library Bureau, Boston	...	1
Linton, Hon. William S.	...	1
Lippman, Morris J.	...	4
Liverpool, Eng., Free Public Library	...	1
London, Eng., Guildhall	2	...
London, Eng., Peabody Donation Fund	...	1
London, Eng., Public Libraries and Museums	...	1
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library	1	4
Lovell, Coryell & Co., N. Y.	...	1
Lubin, D., Sacramento, Cal.	...	1
Lynn, Mass., Public Library	...	2
McKendree College, Lebanon, Ill.	...	1
Manchester, Eng., Public Free Libraries	...	1
Manchester, N. H., City Library	...	4

	Vols.	Phps.
Manitoba, Canada, Historical and Scientific Society	...	4
Manley, W. E., D. D.	...	1
Maryland Bureau of Industrial Statistics	...	1
Maryland Commissioner of the Land Office	...	1
Maryland Insurance Comm'r	4	...
Maryland Medico-Chirurgical Faculty	...	1
Maryland Treasury Department	1	...
Massachusetts, Adjutant-General	1	...
Massachusetts, Auditor's Dept.	2	...
Massachusetts Board of Railroad Comm'rs	1	...
Massachusetts Board of World's Fair Managers	1	...
Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor	2	...
Massachusetts, Comm'r of Public Records	...	2
Massachusetts, Comm'rs of Prisons	1	...
Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary	...	1
Massachusetts Fish Comm'rs.	...	1
Massachusetts Historical Society	1	...
Massachusetts, Secretary of the Commonwealth	2	...
Massachusetts State Board of Agriculture	2	...
Massachusetts State Board of Arbitration	1	...
Massachusetts State Board of Education	2	...
Massachusetts State Board of Health	6	...
Massachusetts State Board of Lunacy and Charity	1	...
Mekeel, C. H. & Co.	1	...
Michigan Agricultural College.	...	1
Michigan, Comm'r of Railroads	1	...
Michigan State Board of Corrections and Charities	1	1
Michigan State Board of Health	1	2
Michigan State Horticultural Society	13	...
Michigan State Public School for Dependent and Neglected Children	...	1
Michigan, University of Michigan	1	...
Milwaukee, Wis., Chamber of Commerce	1	...
Milwaukee, Wis., Mayor	1	...
Milwaukee, Wis., Public Library	...	4
Milwaukee, Wis., Pub. Schools.	4	...
Minneapolis, Minn., Public Library	...	4
Minnesota Historical Society	...	2
Minnesota University of Minn.	...	1
Missouri Botanical Garden	1	2
Missouri, Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	...
Missouri, Geological Survey	2	2
Missouri, Historical Society	...	1
Missouri, Medical Association.	...	1
Missouri, State Auditor	4	...
Missouri, State Mine Inspector.	1	...
Missouri, State Treasurer	1	...
Missouri, State University	...	2
Missouri, Pacific Railroad Co.	...	1
Montana, Governor	1	2
Montana, Inspector of Mines	...	1
Montana, State Auditor	...	1
Montana, State Boiler Inspector	...	1
Montana, Supt. of Public Instruction	...	1
Moore, Robert	...	2
Morgan, Geo. H.	1	...
Mueller, Miss Pauline	...	7
National Civil Service League.	...	2
National Conference of Charities and Corrections	...	2
National Divorce Reform League	...	2
National Electric Light Association	1	...
Nebraska, State Librarian	32	40
Nevada, Adjutant General	...	1
Nevada, State Bureau of Immigration	...	1
Nevada, State Librarian	...	1
Newark, N. J., Free Public Library	...	5
New Bedford, Mass., Free Public Library	...	1
Newburgh, N. Y., Board of Education	...	1
Newport, R. I., Redwood Library	...	1
New Haven, Conn., Public Library	...	2
New London, Conn., Public Library	...	4
New Hampshire, Soldiers' Home	...	1
New Jersey, Bureau of Statistics of Labor	1	...
New South Wales, Minister of Public Instruction	1	...
New York (State) Library	43	5
New York (State) Reservation at Niagara	...	2
New York (State) University	3	9
New York (City) Farmers	...	2
New York (City) Free Library of the General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen	...	2
New York (City) Mercantile Library	...	8
New York (City) Society of N. Y. Hospital	...	1
New York (City) Woman's Hospital	...	1
Newnham College, Cambridge, Eng.	...	1
Noble, Gen. John W.	...	1
Nolan, Dr. E. J., Philadelphia.	...	1
North Adams, Mass., Public Library	...	1
North Dakota, Agricultural Experiment Station	...	3
North Dakota, State Auditor	...	1
North Dakota, State Board of Dental Examiners	...	2
Ohio, Board of State Charities.	1	6
Ohio, Dept. of Factory Inspection	1	...
Ohio, Insurance Department	1	...
Ohio, State Board of Agriculture	1	...
O'Neill, Hon. John J.	...	10
Orme, R. M., Savannah, Ga.	...	1
Orrington Lunt Free Library, Evanston, Ill.	...	1
Owens, Samuel C.	...	2
Parvin, T. S., Cedar Rapids, Ia.	...	1
Payne, W. W., Northfield, Minn.	...	1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md.	1	...
Pennsylvania, Attorney General	2	...

	Vols.	Pphs.
Pennsylvania, Comm'r. of Soldiers' Orphans' Schools	3	1
Pennsylvania, Secretary of Internal Affairs	6	...
Pennsylvania, University of Penn.	...	4
Perkins Institution for the Blind, Boston	...	1
Peoria, Ill., Public Library	...	2
Philadelphia, Pa., Academy of Natural Sciences	...	3
Philadelphia, Pa., Library Company	...	2
Philadelphia, Public Library	...	1
Philadelphia, Apprentices' Library Co	...	3
Philadelphia, City Institute	...	2
Philadelphia, College of Pharmacy	...	1
Philadelphia, Indian Rights Association	...	3
Philadelphia, Mercantile Library	...	4
Philadelphia, Yearly Meeting of Friends	...	1
Phillips, Mrs. A. V	70	...
Plymouth, Eng., Free Public Library	...	2
Pohle, Dr. Joseph	1	...
Pope, Albert A., Boston	...	1
Portland, Oregon, Library Association	...	2
Portland, Oregon, Public Library	...	5
Princeton, N. J., Theological Seminary	...	1
Providence, R. I., Public Library	...	1
Providence, R. I., Railroad Comm'rs.	1	...
Pullman Palace Car Co	...	1
Putnam's Sons, New Rochelle, N. Y	...	1
Quebec, Canada, City Treasurer	1	...
Ray, Pratapa C., Calcutta, India	...	6
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y	...	1
Rhode Island, Board of State Charities and Corrections	...	1
Rowse, Edward C	28	...
Russell, Hamlin	1	...
St. Joseph, Mo., Free Public Library	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., City Auditor	1	...
St. Louis, Mo., City Register	4	...
St. Louis, Mo., Committee of Public Safety	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Health Department	2	10
St. Louis, Mo., Park Comm'r.	1	...
St. Louis, Mo., Public Schools	12	1
St. Louis, Mo., Academy of Science	...	4
St. Louis, Mo., Christian Science Ass'n. of St. L	1	...
St. Louis, Mo., College of Pharmacy	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Commercial Club	...	5
St. Louis, Mo., Evening Dispensary for Women	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Hospital Saturday and Sunday Ass'n	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Knights of St. Patrick	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Mercantile Club	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Mercantile Library	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Merchants' Exchange	18	...
St. Louis, Mo., Museum of Fine Arts	...	1
St. Louis News Co	...	1
St. Louis Post-Dispatch	2	...
St. Louis Provident Ass'n	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., South Side Review Club	2	...
St. Louis University	...	1
St. Louis, Mo., Wednesday Club	...	3
St. Louis, Mo., Young Men's Christian Ass'n	...	2
St. Paul, Minn., Public Library	...	1
Sale, Rev. Samuel	2	...
Salem, Mass., Public Library	...	13
Salt Lake City, Utah, Public Schools	...	1
San Francisco, Cal., Free Public Library	...	3
San Francisco, Cal., Mercantile Library	...	1
San Francisco, Cal., St. Ignatius' College	...	1
Scranton, Pa., Public Library	...	2
Seaver, E P., Boston	...	1
Seigfried, Miller, & Sohn, Berlin	...	1
Sheffield, Eng., Free Public Libraries	...	1
Sheldon, William L	1	9
Smithsonian Inst	4	10
Snead & Co., Iron Works, Louisville, Ky	1	...
Soudier, H. Le, Paris	...	5
South Carolina, College	...	2
South Carolina, Controller General	...	1
South Carolina, Military Academy	...	1
South Carolina, State Treasurer	...	2
South Dakota, Secretary of State	1	2
South Hadley, Mass., Mount Holyoke College	...	1
Spencer Dr. Horatio N	1	...
Springfield, Mass., Library Association	...	6
Stevens, B. F., London	1	5
Stratford-on-Avon, England, Shakespeare Memorial Library	...	1
Sydney, N S. W., Free Public Library	...	1
Tauchnitz, B. Leipzig	1	...
Taunton, Mass., Public Library	1	...
Taussig, William, Pres. St. Louis Bridge & Terminal Company	1	...
Thomas, William S	1	...
Thwaites, R. G., Madison, Wis.	...	2
Topeka, Kan., Public Library	...	1
Toronto, Canada, Public Library	...	1
Trans-Mississippi Congress	...	3
Trinity College, Hartford, Conn	...	1
U. S. Bureau of Education	...	2
U. S. Census Bureau	1	8
U. S. Civil Service Commission	1	...
U. S. Comm'r. of Fish and Fisheries	1	3
U. S. Comm'r of Labor	8	...
U. S. Dept. of Agriculture	5	357
U. S. Dept. of the Interior	292	26
U. S. Dept. of State	...	8
U. S. Interstate Commerce Comm'n	3	2
U. S. Naval Academy	9	...
U. S. Navy Department	...	1
U. S. Surgeon General	1	...
U. S. Treasury Department	13	63
U. S. War Department	13	9

	Vols.	Pphs.
U. S. Weather Bureau	...	19
Uruguay, S. A., Consul General	2	2
Vermont, Agricultural Experiment Station	...	7
Vermont, State Library	11	12
Vermont, University of Vermont	...	1
Washington University, St. Louis, Mo.	...	9
Webb, Mohammed A. R., N. Y.	...	1
Whitelaw, Oscar L.	1	7
Wigan Free Public Library, Wigan, Eng.	...	2
Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Public Library	...	5
Wisconsin, Bureau of Labor Statistics	...	1
Wisconsin, Commissioner of Fisheries	...	1
Wisconsin, State Superintendent	...	1
Withers Public Library, Bloomington, Ill.	...	1
Witt, Frank G.	1	...
Woodward, Charles B.	2	...
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library	...	9
Wyoming, State Auditor	...	2
Wyoming, State Engineer	...	2
Yale University, New Haven, Conn	...	3
Young Men's Christian Association, N. Y.	...	1

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS DONATED.

GENERAL PERIODICALS.

Berne, Switzerland, Propriete Industrielle.....Monthly
Boston, The American Fabian...Monthly
Boston, Employer and Employed Quarterly
Boston, Good Roads.....Monthly
Boston, The Missionary Herald..Monthly
Boston, New Church Review...Quarterly
Buffalo, N. Y., American Investments Monthly
Centralia, Ill., The School Review Weekly
Charlottesville, Va., Alumni Bulletin of the Univ. of Virginia Monthly
Chicago, Altruistic Review.....Monthly
Chicago & New York American Soap Journal Monthly
Chicago Bearings.....Weekly
Chicago Citizen.....Monthly
Chicago Elite Weekly
Chicago Kindergarten (Froebel Society) Monthly
Chicago Office Men's Record..Quarterly
Chicago Railway Review.....Weekly
Chicago & New York Referee Weekly
Chicago & New York Self-culture Monthly
Chicago, Stationary Engineer...Monthly
Chicago, Stationer & Printer Semi-monthly
Chicago, Union Signal.....Weekly
Cincinnati, Furniture Worker....Weekly
Columbia, M. S. U. Independent Monthly
Columbia, Missouri State Agricultural Bulletin... Irregular
Concord, N. H., Journal of Speculative Philosophy.....Irregular
Dallas, Tex., Texas Farm & Ranch Weekly
Denver, Books Monthly
Denver, Mining Industry.....Weekly
Detroit, Pernin's Stenographer..Monthly
Hartford, Hartford Seminary Record Bi-monthly
Hartford, Locomotive.....Monthly
Hartford, Traveler's Record....Monthly
Honolulu, Paradise of the Pacific Monthly
Ithaca, N. Y., Cornell Univ. Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin
Kansas City, Grocer's Journal of Commerce.....Semi-monthly
Knoxville, Tenn., Tennessee University Magazine.....Monthly
Lamoni, Ia., Autumn Leaves...Monthly
London, Phonetic Journal.....Weekly
London, Pioneer of Wisdom.....Monthly
London, Positivist Review.....Monthly
Los Angeles, Cal., Land of Sunshine Monthly
Los Angeles, Cal., Investor.....Weekly
Los Angeles, Cal., California Cultivator Monthly
Milwaukee, Erziehung-Blaetter..Monthly
Minneapolis, Literary Light....Monthly
New York, Atlantis [Greek].....Weekly
New York Church Union.....Weekly
New York Cook's Excursionist..Monthly
New York, Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly
New York Literary News.....Monthly
New York, National Provisioner..Weekly
New York, New Church Messenger Weekly
New York, New Earth.....Monthly
New York, Painting and Decorating Monthly
New York, London & Madras, Path Monthly
New York, Social Economist ...Monthly
New York, Street Railway Gazette Weekly
New York, Street Railway Journal Monthly
New York, Student's Journal....Monthly
New York, Twentieth Century...Weekly
Nogales, Ariz.,Oasis.....Weekly
Oakland, Cal., Saturday Press...Weekly
Paris, Journal du Droit International Privé.....Monthly
Paris, Revue des Livres...Semi-monthly
Philadelphia, American Athlete..Weekly
Philadelphia, Book News.....Monthly
Philadelphia, Food Home and Garden Weekly
Philadelphia, Journal of Zoophily Monthly
Philadelphia, Woman's Progress Monthly
Pittsburg, Youth's Journal.....Monthly
St. Louis, Abendschule.....Weekly
St. Louis, Age of Steel.....Weekly
St. Louis, Amer. Baptist Flag...Weekly
St. Louis, Amer. Law Review Bi-monthly
St. Louis, Building and Trades Journal Weekly
St. Louis, Central Baptist.....Weekly
St. Louis, Central Law Journal..Weekly
St. Louis, Christian Register....Weekly
St. Louis, Christian Science Journal Monthly
St. Louis, Church News.....Monthly
St. Louis, Electrical Worker....Monthly

St. Louis & Kansas City, Farm Machinery.....Weekly
St. Louis, Hesperion.....Quarterly
St. Louis, Mekeel's Weekly.....Weekly
St. Louis, & Kansas City, Mid-Continent Weekly
St. Louis, Mirror.....Weekly
St. Louis, Missouri Sanitarian Monthly
St. Louis, Non-Sectarian Monthly
St. Louis, Pedal Weekly
St. Louis Philatelic Journal....Monthly
St. Louis, Christian Advocate....Weekly
St. Louis Humorist.....Weekly
St. Louis Life.....Weekly
St. Louis, St. Louis Lumberman Monthly
St. Louis, St. Louis Truth.....Weekly
St. Louis, Schalk Weekly
St. Louis, School and Home..Fortnightly
St. Louis, Shoe and Leather Gazette Weekly
St. Louis, Squib.....Weekly
St. Louis, Stoves and Hardware Reporter Weekly
St. Louis, Student Life.....Monthly
St. Louis, Western Builder.....Weekly
Salem, Mass., Essex Bulletin..Irregular
Salem, Mass., Essex Institute Historical Collections.....Irregular
San Francisco, California Architect Monthly
San Francisco, Mexican Exposition Semi-monthly
Topeka, Kan., Western School Journal Monthly
Toronto, Canada, Educational...Monthly
Urbana, Ill., Ill. Univ. Agricultural Experiment Sta. Bulletin Irregular
Utica, N. Y., Poultry World.....Monthly
Washington & New York, Good Government.....Monthly
Washington, Kate Field's Washington Weekly
Washington, U. S. Congressional Records.....
Washington, U. S. Consular Reports Monthly
Washington, U. S. Special Consular Reports Irregular
Washington, U. S. Dept. Agriculture, Insect Life.....Irregular
Washington, U. S. Patent Office Official Gazette.....Weekly
Washington, Postal Record.....Monthly
Washington, U. S. Smithsonian Institution Bulletin.

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Chicago, National Popular Review Monthly
Ft. Wayne, Ind., Ft. Wayne Medical Magazine.....Monthly
McClasky's Clinical Studies..
Minneapolis, Northwestern Medical Journal.....Monthly
New York, American Druggist. Semi-monthly
St. Louis Clinique.....Monthly
St. Louis, Medical Brief.....Monthly
St. Louis, Fortnightly.....Semi-monthly
St. Louis, Medical Mirror.....Monthly
St. Louis, Meyer Brothers Druggist Monthly

NEWSPAPERS.

Algiers, La., Algiers Herald.....Weekly
Chicago, Chicago Evening Lamp..Weekly
Chicago, Chicago Nederlander...Weekly
Cincinnati, Light of Truth.....Weekly
Cleveland, O., Cleveland Citizen..Weekly
East St. Louis, Ill., East St. Louis Gazette Daily
East St. Louis, Ill., East St. Louis Journal.....Daily
Ft. Madison, Ia., Ft. Madison Democrat Weekly
Houston, Tex., Houston Daily Post Daily
Kansas City, Kansas City Times Semi-weekly
Keokuk, Ia., Keokuk Post [illegible]
Lebanon, Ill., Lebanon Journal..Weekly
Melbourne, Aus., The Australian..Weekly
Milwaukee, Kurjer Polski Daily
New Orleans, La., N. O. Daily City Item Daily
New York, Democratic Herald..Weekly
New York, Der Friend Monthly
Peoria, Ill., New Era Weekly
Syracuse, [illegible] Daily
Sydney, Australia, Sydney Morning Herald Daily
Tennessee City, Tenn., Coming Nation.....Weekly
St. Louis, Church Progress and Catholic World.....Weekly
St. Louis, Ochman's Rural World..Weekly
St. Louis, Jewish Voice.....Weekly
St. Louis, Las Dos Naciones.....Weekly
St. Louis, St. Louis Amerika.....Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Anzeiger des Westens Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Chronicle.....Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Globe-Democrat Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Labor.....Weekly
St. Louis, St. Louis Post-Dispatch..Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Republic.....Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Single Tax Courier Weekly
St. Louis, St. Louis Star-Sayings..Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Tageblatt.....Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Tribune.....Daily
St. Louis, St. Louis Westliche Post Daily
St. Louis, Time Americas.....Weekly
St. Louis, Western Watchman...Weekly
Seattle, Wash., Seattle Press-Times Weekly

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DELIVERY STATIONS.

1. 3115 N. Market.....Whalen, J. L.
2. Grand & St. Louis Av.....Layton Drug Co.
3. Grand & Nat. Bridge Rd.....Hoenny, A. J.
4. Newstead Av Layton Drug Co.
5. East Grand & 20th.....Wurmb, T. H.
6. Salisbury & 20th.....Wurmb, T. H.
7. Broadway & N. Market.....May, C. A.
8. Olive & Vandeventer.....Swift, F. H.
9. Cabanne Cabanne Arcade.
10. Easton & Semple.....Arlington Drug Store.
11. Easton & 46th.....Menkhouse, J. B.
12. Finney & Taylor Av.....Taylor Av. Pharmacy.
13. 1105 N. Grand Av.....West End Stationer.
14. Gravois Rd. & Arsenal.....Jost, B.
15. 2127 S. Jefferson Av.....Berg, G. G.
16. Park Av. & 20th.....Sassman, R. C. W.
17. 320 S. 7th.....Koemke, C. H.
18. Broadway & Lami.....Heitmeyer, O. F.
19. Broadway & Shirmer.....Waibel, L. F.
20. Virginia Av. & Loughborough..Blow School.
21. 3300 Meramec.....Bilz, A. W.
22. New Manchester Rd. & Tower Grove Av.....Lehmann Bros.

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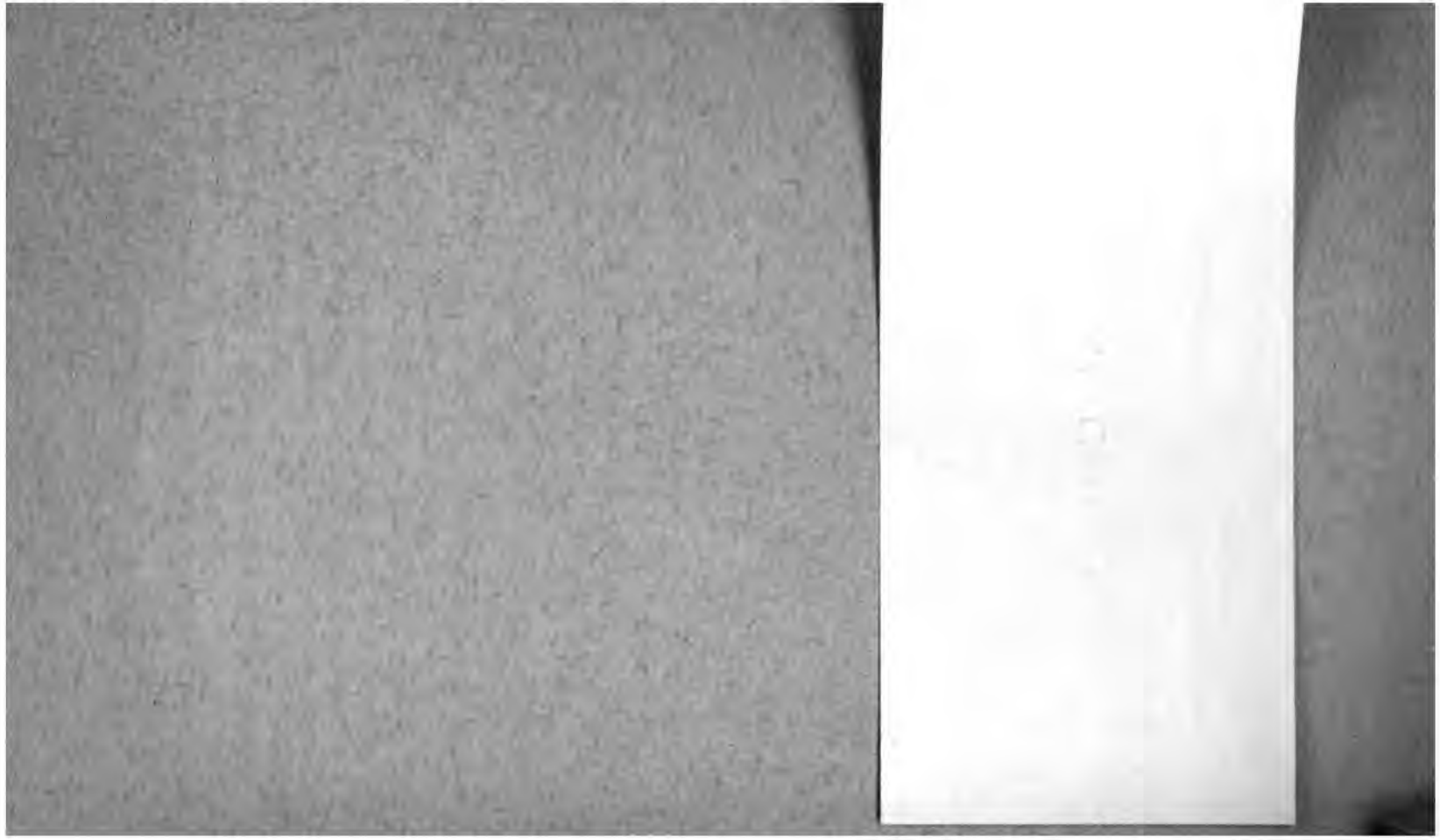
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JANITORS.

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THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

To His Honor, Cyrus P. Walbridge, Mayor of St. Louis:

In presenting our annual report and account of our stewardship as Directors for another year of the St. Louis Public Library, we are pleased to say that the year just closed has shown convincingly to us that the Free Library is destined to become a most potent factor in the life and development of this City, as well as that of any other community which will give similar advantages to its citizens. We are more and more convinced of its importance as an educator of the masses and a perpetual school for all classes. The eagerness with which the rooms have been thronged and the rapidly increasing list of registered readers testify to the importance of having such facilities for reading and reference free to all. A proper appreciation of its advantages by a city indicates a tendency towards a better and higher order of public sentiment, which can only result in an improved government, resulting in increased prosperity.

Fully appreciating the force of this, it has been the aim of the Board to so administer this important trust that the Library shall speedily grow into the affections of the entire population of the City, that they, in the language of another, "shall wear it as the chief jewel in its crown." When this sentiment is once fully and faithfully adopted by its owners, the citizens of St. Louis, no one need fear that the Library will ever lack friends or loyal supporters. To this growing sentiment we must ever look for increased facilities and for friendly legislation in its behalf.

We are pleased to say that the system of delivery stations which was referred to in our last annual report has proven a great success. Their number has been increased until there are now twenty-five different stations located in convenient parts of the city from which books can be obtained by readers without the cost of a trip to the Main Library. The Librarian's annual report shows how by increased use these stations have grown in favor with the patrons of the Library.

This method of serving the public also affords much relief at the Main Library, where the increased number of readers is already taxing our room and facilities to the utmost. The visitors to the Library during the last year (see Librarian's report) have been an average of nearly fifty thousand per month. When the cost is realized of carrying this great number in elevators to and from the sixth and seventh floors of the Board of Education Building, you can understand that any plans which will lessen this expense and risk, must be adopted.

Ever since the city acquired from the life members and the Public School Board the present Library, and opened it free, the Board of Directors has had constantly in mind the necessity of securing for it a permanent home, one which shall be centrally located, convenient of

access and in every way commensurate with the needs of a large and rapidly growing city like St. Louis, a city which can no longer be designated as the Future Great, but is the present great. A Library Building which will not only be a model building in every respect, but which shall at the same time be an object lesson in artistic and esthetic taste, making it an institution which would tend to build up and adorn local life.

Eligible property for this purpose has advanced so rapidly that the Directors became convinced that unless immediate action was taken it would soon be quite beyond their power, with the present limited income at their disposal, to secure an adequate site. With this in view, and after the most exhaustive investigation and comparison between the different properties offered within the limits of the territory which would be considered for this purpose, your Board secured 181 feet 4 inches on the southeast corner of 17th street and Lucas Place for the sum, in round numbers, of $94,000.00, a purchase which has met the approval of all persons qualified to appraise the values of St. Louis real estate.

The terms upon which this purchase was made were, one-third cash and the balance in one and two year's time.

This large investment will necessitate the most rigid economy on the part of the Board; and the book fund will doubtless most feel the stringency, for the necessary fixed charges have always been kept down to the lowest figure consistent with the demands of the public for the most efficient service.

With a suitable lot secured, the next step towards furnishing the St. Louis Public Library with a building, such as we have indicated, is to secure an increase of income, or a special building fund.

How it is to be accomplished, is the problem which now confronts the board.

We would again most earnestly call the attention of our citizens of wealth to this opportunity for connecting their name with an institution which will shed greater lustre, be more lasting, and be of more permanent benefit to their fellow-citizens in our judgment, than a like investment in any other direction.

The situation must be met in some way. St. Louis cannot afford to have her Public Library housed in an indifferent or inconvenient manner.

We trust our successors will be enabled to solve the problem and that the day will not be far distant when St. Louis can point with pride to her Library, which shall be in keeping with all the other institutions in this metropolis of the Mississippi Valley, and second to none of any other city of like importance in the world.

In our last year's report, explaining the system of competitive examinations, which prevails exclusively in the appointments, as well as in promotions, this significant expression was used, "The force is consequently a careful selection of the fittest." We point with some degree of pride in confirmation of this statement to the fact that in a recent examination by the U. S. Government for cataloguers, open to and participated in by applicants from all parts of the country, to the number of 80, the St. Louis Public Library carried off the honors. Out of the 80 only five made the required percentage, and of these, three were from the St. Louis Public Library. The two standing highest on the list,

Misses Gibson and Chase, were at once summoned to Washington, and left the Library at the close of March.

In conclusion we would say that the same devotion to the great interest intrusted to their care, the same spirit of mutual confidence and harmony, exists in each member of the Board, evidenced by careful and earnest attention to all the details involved in carrying on a work of so much importance to the future welfare of their fellow-citizens. The lack of any serious or well-founded complaints attest to the careful and painstaking efficiency of our Librarian, and of each member of the staff.

Very respectfully submitted,

OSCAR L. WHITELAW,

President.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report for the year ending April 30, 1896.

Nominally the second, but really the first complete, year of the Free Library, it fulfills the expectations created by the record of the opening year, and gives assurance of increasing and incalculable usefulness in the future. Over 12,000 new names were registered; and the total number of cards in use at the end of the year was 31,486. The issue of books for home reading was 472,718 volumes, a gain of 141,292, or nearly 45 per cent; while the total issue was 688,942, a gain of 151,529. These figures understate the total increase, because, with free access to thousands of volumes, it is impracticable to keep an accurate record of every book consulted in the rooms.

All the statistics embodied in report and appendixes are for the year beginning with May 1, 1895, and ending with April 30, 1896, except the statement of receipts and expenditures from the City Treasury, which, in order that it may agree with the accounts of the City Auditor, is made to cover the period from May 13, 1895, to May 11, 1896.

The following table gives the balances on hand at the beginning and end of the year, and exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditures. Summarized and translated into common language, it shows that:—

The income from the City tax of one-fifth of a mill was $62,108.15, an increase of nearly $3,000 over the previous year.

The receipts from fines were $2,603.28, an increase of nearly $1,100. The total amount taken in at the issue desk was $3,652.41, an increase of $1,000.

The total expenditure (omitting, of course, the real estate investment) was $49,477.13, an increase of a little more than $1,000 over the previous year.

The amount expended for enlarging the collection and keeping the books in good condition was $15,880, an increase of nearly $2,000 over the previous year. This total included, in round numbers, $9,000 for books, $6,000 for binding, and $800 for periodicals.

The total expenditure for rent, light, elevator, furniture and repairs, etc., was $10,871, against $14,337 for the previous year. Comparing the separate items with those of last year, we find, as was foreseen, a reduction of $2,000 in the furniture and repair account, also a large *apparent* reduction in the cost of light and elevator service. These, however, are chiefly due to an error in the bill for the last quarter, which prevented its being paid within the current year. But for this postponement the expenditure for light would have been $1,677.60, a decrease of $239, and for the elevators $2,592, a reduction of $334. The expenditure for elevator service comprises two items: $1,236 for electric power against $1,716 for the previous year, and $1,356 for salaries against $1,210 for the previous year. The real saving in light was caused by the substitution of Welsbach burners for electric lamps in the reading-room. There is also an anticipated reduction of $600 in the item of printing and stationery.

This year the Collection of Duplicates does not seem to have paid for itself; but the account would be at least even if credit were given for the books transferred to the regular library. Without, however, making this allowance, the receipts from the Collection of Duplicates, for the two years, have exceeded the expenditures by $384.*

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

Dr.			
To bal. in City. Treas. May 13, 1895		$57,674 98	
Collections May 13, 1895, to May 11, '96		62,108 15	
			$119,783 18
Bal. in Bank Fund May 1, 1895			2,318 80
Bal. in Contingent Fund May 1, 1895			26 49
Coll. of Dup. Cards sold	$698 20		
Mag. sold	52 45	$750 65	
Fines		2,603 28	
Books sold, lost and paid for		154 73	
Lost cards		84 52	
Catalogues and bulletins		46 30	
Postals		10 38	
Old paper, etc		2 55	
Total desk receipts			$3,652 41
Rent (from property bought in January, 1896)			643 13
Interest			107 96
Total			$126,531 92
Cr.			
By salaries			$16,782 85
Books, Main Library		$7,017 11	
Coll. of Duplicates		840 46	
Medical Collection		1,139 43	
Binding		6,091 20	
Periodicals		791 80	$15,880 00
Building.			
Real estate purchased		$41,059 37	
Rent		5,000 00	
Light		1,242 74	
Elevator Salaries		1,019 13	
Electric Power		889 02	
Heat, Sundays and Holidays		496 82	
Water		149 41	
Furniture and Repairs		801 30	
Insurance		773 50	$51,431 29
Expense.			
Advertising		$8 48	
Delivery Stations		725 75	
Postage		197 16	
Printing and Stationery		1,820 53	
Sundries		423 72	
Supplies		266 72	$3,442 36
Total Expenditures (Including Real Estate Investment)			$90,536 50
Bal. in Bank Fund May 1, 1896.			
Cert. of dep. 1 at $1,500.00		$1,500 00	
" " " 7 " $500.00		3,500 00	
Current deposit		881 84	
			$5,881 84
Bal. in Contingent Fund, May 1, 1896			23
Bal. in City Treas. May 11, 1896			30,113 35
			$126,531 92

* The character and purpose of this special department was fully explained in last year's report.

REGISTRATION.

The total registration up to April 30, 1895, the end of the first year, was 26,064, with 24,343 cards in use at that date.

During the past year the registration has increased to 38,421, and the cards in use to 31,486. Particulars are given in the following table: —

Names registered to April 30, 1895	26,064	Women	12,421
		Children	14,533
Additions for the year ending April 30, 1896.			38,421
Institutions	47	Less guarantors withdrawn	95
Men	3,198	" dead	34
Women	3,553	" left town	225
Children	5,559	" cards surrendered	103
		" held for fines	866
	12,357	" not yet called for	5,612
Total registration to April 30, 1896.			6,935
Institutions	47	Total cards in use April 30, 1896	31,486
Men	11,420		

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

Though the expenditure in the book fund exceeded that of the previous year by more than $1,500, fewer books were purchased because the greater wear and tear caused by a largely increased circulation raised the expenditure for binding from $1,500 to $6,000. I am confident that at least one-fourth of this amount is due to gross carelessness on the part of cardholders. If they would but realize that it is *their own books* they are abusing and *their own money* that must pay for the damage, it might lead them to exercise a reasonable amount of care, and thus swell the additions to *their library* by one or two thousand dollars' worth each year. A dollar spent in binding is a dollar less for new books.

The additions catalogued and placed on the shelves during the year numbered 8,449 volumes against 12,068 for the previous year. The average cost per volume of the 5,809 volumes bought was $1.54. The purchases included some important and costly medical works and a large number of medical periodicals, about $1,500 worth in all, also 415 volumes of important miscellaneous periodicals.

Particulars regarding subjects, source and language appear in the following tables: —

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

Classes.	Rec. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	33	.	33
Theology	173	.	173
Social Science	1,345	1	1,349
Natural Science	963	.	963
Art and Poetry	297	.	297
Fiction	2,347	223	2,570
Juvenile Literature	1,256	.	1,256
Literary Miscellany	699	.	699
Travels and History	647	.	647
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	356	.	356
	8,225	224	8,449

Source.			
Purchase	5,585	224	5,809
Gift	2,028		2,028
Pamphlets, bound	42		42
Periodicals	570		570
	8,225	224	8,449
Language.			
English	7,255	224	7,479
French	307		307
German	607		607
Other	56		56
	8,225	224	8,449

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned		984
Lost and paid for		65
Charged to card-holders—		
Main Library	18	
Ashland School	7	
Unaccounted for	10	
Drawn for use in Reading Room	5	40
Total		1,089
Total additions		8,449
Less above		1,089
Net increase		7,360

Of the 984 volumes worn out, 535 were replaced by new copies; and of the 65 volumes lost and paid for, 45 were replaced.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

The records in this department show that 1063 volumes of duplicate government documents were disposed of as follows: returned to U. S. Public Document Bureau, 498, of which 38 were entered and 460 unentered; given to St. Louis Law Library, 440 volumes, of which 390 were entered and 50 unentered; exchanged with Kansas State Historical Society, 125 volumes, 90 entered and 35 unentered. The receipts from exchanges and donations numbered 1575 volumes and 2926 pamphlets. A complete list of donors, with number of volumes and pamphlets received from each, is given in an appendix.

The following gifts call for special mention: From Mr. Stephen D. Barlow, Jr., 160 volumes, 125 pamphlets; Mr. Frank Obear, 70 volumes; Mr. F. N. Judson, 94 volumes; Miss Sarah L. Bacon, 54 volumes, 135 pamphlets; Dr. George Homan, 453 medical pamphlets and periodicals; U. S. Department of the Interior, 169 volumes, 35 pamphlets; King of Siam, 39 volumes; New York State University, 38 volumes.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

A careful inventory, taken as explained in my last report, showed that on June 21, 1895, the collection numbered 95,614 entered volumes, besides about 6,500 volumes of duplicates and of books not yet catalogued, making a total of 102,114. From that date up to the end of the year, 7137 volumes were entered, making the total of *catalogued* books 102,751. From this must be deducted 1089 volumes worn out, sold, lost and paid for, etc., and 518 volumes exchanged and donated,

making the total of books *catalogued* 101,144. To this must be added unentered duplicates and a large number of medical books and periodicals not yet catalogued, estimated at 6000 volumes, bringing up the total contents of the Library, April 30, 1896, to 107,144 volumes. Full details appear in the following tables:—

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, JUNE 21, 1895.

	Main Library.				South Branch.				
	Ref.	Circl.	Coll. of Dup.	Total.	Ref.	Circl.	Coll of Dup.	Total.	Total of all Entered Books.
Philosophy	146	1003	1	1150		42		42	1192
Religion	1985	2602		4585		51		51	4636
Social Science	10724	3905		14629	7	50		57	14686
Natural "	7475	6089	5	13569	1	113		114	13683
Art and Poetry	1110	4731	11	5852		68		68	5920
Fiction	309	17084	818	18211		1062		1062	19273
Juveniles	321	7376	13	7710		374		374	8084
Literary misc	1438	4091	9	5538	1	18		19	5557
Geog. and Hist	2331	10866	15	13212	2	67		69	13281
Cyclopedias & Mag.	7821	1421	2	9244	58			58	9302
Total	33658	59168	874	93700	69	1845		1914	95614

BOOKS MISSING FROM DECEMBER 31, 1893, TO JUNE 21, 1895.

	Books Lost and Paid For.				Books Worn Out and Withdrawn.			Drawn by Cardholders and Not Returned.
	Reg.	C. D.	South Br'nch	Total.	Ref.	C. D.	Total.	
Philosophy	1			2	1		1	1
Religion					2		2	1
Social science	20			20	4		4	
Natural "	6	1		7	4		4	5
Art and poetry	8	...		8	3	1	4	1
Fiction	673		2	675	34	7	41	8
Juveniles	219		2	221	18		18	
Literary Misc	11			11	7	1	8	
Geog. and Hist.	27			27	4		4	3
Cyclopedias & Mag	1			1	1		1	
Totals	967	1	4	972	78	9	87	19

UNACCOUNTED FOR.

	Main Collection.				South Branch.				
	Ref.	Circl.	Col. of Dup.	Total.	Ref.	Circl.	Col. of Dup.	Total.	
Philosophy	1	1		2					2
Religion	1	3		4					4
Social science	5	3		8					8
Natural "	4	14		18					18
Art and poetry	2	1		12					12
Fiction	1	14	24	125		8		8	133
Juveniles	1	75	1	77		7		7	84
Literary Misc	1	9		10					10
Geog. and Hist		6	1	7					7
Cyclopedias & Mag	3	2		5					5
Totals	19	228	28	288		15		15	285

DUPLICATES DISPOSED OF.

	Entered.	Unentered.	Total.
Returned to Government	38	460	498
Exchanged	90	35	125
Donated to St. Louis Law Library	390	50	440
	518	545	1,063

SUMMARY.

Total of entered books June 21, 1895			95,614
Additions June 21, 1895, to April 30, 1896			7,137
Total			102,751
Less { Books worn out, lost and paid for, etc		1,089	
Less { Entered duplicates, donated and exchanged		518	1,607
Total of entered books May 1, 1896			101,144
Books not yet catalogued (about)			3,000
Unentered duplicates (about)			2,000
Volumes of unbound magazines (about)			1,000
Total contents of Library May 1, 1896			107,144

From the above tables it appears that of the collection of over one hundred thousand catalogued volumes all were accounted for except 283. Of these, 133 were novels and 84 juveniles, making together 217 volumes worth on an average not more than seventy-five cents apiece. Of the 283, 87 were new books. This large proportion leads inevitably to the conclusion that a very large majority of the books unaccounted for were taken from the "New Book Space," or "Browsing Corner," to which all persons have free access. Here are at all times displayed three or four hundred new books and half as many old books for readers to make selections from. It is evident that unscrupulous persons have taken advantage of the privilege thus offered to rob their fellow-citizens. It does not, however, follow that all the 283 volumes are lost. The list has been reduced from month to month since it was first made out; and frequently books turn up that were reported lost in previous inventories. It would not have been difficult to prevent the loss of at least two-thirds of these books by the abridgment of privileges, especially freedom of access to the shelves; but this would be to punish the honest for the acts of the dishonest.

BINDING.

The records in this department show that 1,312 volumes (periodicals, newspapers, pamphlets, and books received in paper covers) were bound for the first time at a cost of $878.37, an average of 66⅔ cents; that 11,835 volumes were rebound by contract at a cost of $5,370.46, an average of 45 3/10 cents; and that 11,381 volumes were repaired in the Library at a cost (for material and salaries) of $531.21, an average of 4⅔ cents per volume. These repairs range from the patching or fastening of a few leaves to the complete rebinding of a book. This rebinding is done in duck or cloth and is limited to books that are subject to but little wear and tear. The monthly reports on this work are summarized as follows: —

Leaves patched, 3,259 volumes; leaves replaced, 2,261 volumes; backs replaced, 1,879 volumes; backs patched, 1,792 volumes; backs lettered, 902 volumes; new backs, 371 volumes; books sewed, 266 volumes; new covers, 651 volumes.

It is inevitable that with the growth of circulation there will be a corresponding increase in the number of books to be repaired and rebound; but, as I have already said, this item of expense can be reduced at least one-fourth by reasonable care on the part of readers.

CIRCULATION.

I have already called attention to the increase of 141,292 volumes, or nearly 45 per cent, in the home issue. Full details regarding the issue in all departments will be found in the following tables: —

ISSUE BY MONTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1896.

	HOME ISSUE.							
	Main Library.	South Branch.	Delivery Stations	Schools.	Total.	Library Issue	Reading-Room Issue.	Total.
May	32,974	1,163	680	2,543	37,310	2,729	11,389	51,428
June	31,039	1,040	496	1,914	34,489	2,655	8,873	45,517
July	37,008	1,170	405	84	38,667	2,777	8,561	50,005
August	36,361	992	365	83	37,801	2,539	8,381	48,724
September	30,291	937	443	304	31,975	1,932	9,666	43,573
October	31,791	930	450	499	33,670	2,971	13,812	50,453
November	35,468	942	525	398	37,333	4,061	15,378	56,772
December	35,006	1,027	1,408	92	37,533	4,775	17,266	59,574
January	40,234	1,123	3,813		45,170	5,795	21,002	71,967
February	41,221	1,029	5,559		47,809	5,820	20,733	74,362
March	40,676	1,248	6,713		48,637	5,661	19,721	74,019
April	34,430	1,082	6,812		42,324	4,367	15,857	62,548
1895-96	426,499	12,683	27,619	5,917	472,718	46,082	170,142	688,942
1894-95	314,987	13,936	2,503		331,426	40,628	165,359	537,413
Gain	111,512		35,116	5,917	141,292	5,454	4,783	151,529
Loss		1,253						

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	1,894	.40	716	1 55	2,610	.51
Theology	2,857	.61	1,605	3 48	4,462	.86
Social Science	5,400	2.15	3,013	6.54	8,413	1.63
Natural "	10,356	1.19	5,100	11.07	15,456	2.98
Art and Poetry	10,587	2.24	4,339	9.42	14,926	2.88
Fiction	278,506	58.92	8,890	19.29	287,396	55.40
Juveniles	129,911	27.48	3,510	7 61	133,421	25 72
Literary Miscellany	9,287	1.97	4,152	9 01	13,439	2.60
Geography and History	19,495	4.10	6,141	13.33	25,636	4 90
Cyclopedias and Magazines	4,425	.94	8,616	18.70	13,041	2 52
	472,718	100.00	46,082	100 00	518,800	100 00

Owing to the miscellaneous contents of most periodicals, an exact classification of them is impossible. Periodicals in the reading-room are roughly classed by their leading characteristics; and on this is based the following table, showing the

CLASSIFIED READING ROOM ISSUE.

	Issue.	Per Cent.		Issue.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	182	.11	Fiction	8,969	5.27
Theology	2,118	1.25	Juvenile	31,051	18.25
Social Science	48,153	28.30	Literary Misc	577	.33
Natural Science	22,322	13.12	Geog. and Hist	54,097	31.80
Art and Poetry	2,673	1.57			
Total				170,142	100.00

The number of issues of representative periodicals is a better indication of the general character of the reading done in the reading room.

Puck	9,789	Golden Days	2,510
Judge	9,049	Youth's Companion	2,104
Harper's Weekly	8,032	St. Nicholas	2,038
Leslie's Weekly	5,681	Review of Reviews	1,977
Harper's Monthly	5,084	Vom Fels zum Meer	1,516
Century	4,730	North American Review	1,454
Scientific Amer. and Supplement	4,552	Forum	1,354
Illus'td London News	4,466	Popular Science Monthly	894
Scribner's	3,434	Electrical World	893
Leslie's Monthly	2,865	Revue des deux Mondes	659
Life	2,826	Illustrazione Italiana	668
Ueber Land und Meer	2,574	Independent	572
Illustrirte Zeitung	2,543	Engineering & Mining Journal	362*

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Last year's report noted the satisfactory results of the establishment of two delivery stations. In December, these were incorporated in a system of stations, twenty-two in number, reaching all sections of the city. The number has since been increased to twenty-four, and through these were circulated 40,302 volumes. It will be seen from the following table that this represents chiefly the work of the last four months of the year, and therefore gives assurance of much greater service in the future. It is to be hoped that the number of books issued through the schools will be largely multiplied; but this can be done only through the co-operation of the teacher.

DELIVERY STATION ISSUE.

Station No.	May	June	July.	Aug	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Total.
1								74	222	247	336	298	1,177
2								137	155	225	387	339	1,243
3	75	95	125	150	159	141	171	27	84	124	155	126	1,432
4								3	64	210	283	311	871
5								50	288	516	635	582	2,071
6	555	401	260	215	284	309	354	265	402	359	446	474	4 344
7								36	98	122	6	43	305
8								29	83	180	164	208	664
9								60	242	317	477	400	1,496
10								111	328	340	544	466	1,789
11									25	39	44	32	140
12								38	55	102	202	159	556
13									29	90	82	64	265
14	71	73	90	85	96	127	102	128	190	123	165	123	1,318
South Br.	1,092	967	1,080	907	841	803	840	899	993	906	1,083	959	11,370
15								1	79	110	137	107	434
16								143	270	301	294	403	1,411
17								59	145	290	345	314	1,153
18								9	136	196	236	205	782
19								90	217	343	292	341	1.283
20								160	364	520	580	660	2,284
21								12	103	202	203	211	731
22								104	424	718	805	954	3,005
23										8	56	85	149
24											4	30	34
													40,302
Schools													5,917
Total													46,219

* The issue of this is but little over one-half what it was three years ago; while nearly all the others show a substantial increase, some being almost doubled.

Dec.–Feby., 1895. (3 mo's).		*June, 1894–Apr., 1896.* (23 mo's).	
Vanity Fair	542	Count of Monte Cristo	1596
Count of Monte Cristo	523	Vanity Fair	1405
Les Miserables	474	Ben Hur	1394
Ben Hur	412	Les Miserables	1216
David Copperfield	358	Three Musketeers	944
Ivanhoe	327	Scarlet Letter	885
Wandering Jew	304	Trilby	863
Colonel's Daughter	297	Prince of India	856
Scarlet Letter	295	Colonel's Daughter	831
Trilby	263	St. Elmo	778

These lists, covering a period of eight years, testify to the constant popularity of the great works of fiction. *Les Miserables* stands among the first three or four in every list. *Vanity Fair*, *Scarlet Letter* and *Ben Hur* appear in all the lists. *Ivanhoe* and *Monte Cristo* are in three and *David Copperfield* and *Uncle Tom's Cabin* in two. Save one, these books have received the indorsement of generations of readers and critics and are likely to hold their high places for generations to come. Three of them, at least, belong among the books that are for all time. Well up in the extended list of the appendix are such novels as *Mill on the Floss*, *Romola*, *Adam Bede*, *Lorna Doone*, and *Marble Faun*, which will continue to instruct and delight future generations after the majority of readers shall have been educated above Augusta J. Evans and Mary J. Holmes, and the half-educated who now read these shall have been captivated by the new favorites of a period.

The highest issue of any one book is 2,170, which shows the number of times *Tom Sawyer* has been drawn, since June 1st, 1894. Including *St. Nicholas*, of which 178 volumes were in circulation, the ten juveniles that led in popularity are as follows: —

MOST POPULAR JUVENILES.

St. Nicholas	2374	Under the Lilacs	989
Tom Sawyer	2170	Little Men	982
Little Women	1397	Andersen's Fairy Tales	922
Old-fashioned Girl	1250	Eight Cousins	887
Jack Hazard	1103	Rose in Bloom	878

MISCELLANEOUS WORK OF ISSUE AND REGISTRATION DEPARTMENTS.

NOTIFICATIONS, FINES, PENALTIES, ETC.

Some idea of the amount of miscellaneous work performed in the issue and registration departments may be obtained from an appendix, which gives a list of the various records that are kept in all departments of the Library.

Affairs that concern 30,000 people and involve separate transactions amounting to three-quarters of a million, can not be properly attended to and kept in order without considerable labor — not to mention intelligence and tact. To illustrate by two of the smallest items,— during the last three months of the year (a record was not kept before that) 739 addresses of cardholders were changed and 54 notices were mailed to cardholders residing in houses reported by the Health Department for contagious diseases, directing them to deliver their books to the Health Commissioners for fumigation. The sending of the notices was the smallest part of the task. During certain periods of the year a list of houses posted was received from the Health Department every

day; and every name on these lists had to be looked up to see if any member of the family had a library book.

A large and growing task is the rewriting of book cards and readers' cards that have been filled, the number of the former for the year being 8,745 and of the latter 5,586 for the last seven months. There were 262 notices of new books added sent to persons known, or supposed, to be interested and 516 notices of books reserved by request. There were also 455 notices on various subjects relating to the business of the issue department, making, with delinquent notices, a total of 10,519 communications, all involving more or less work besides the writing.

The failure of readers to return books promptly causes a considerable addition to the routine work of the issue department. During the year 9,286 notices were sent for books overdue. These were, as explained in last year's report; first notices (postals), second notices (quoting city ordinance), notice (in form of a bill) presented by messenger, and notifications to guarantors. After the two notifications by mail it was necessary to send a messenger for 312 books. Of these 44 were brought back by the messenger, 258 were shortly returned by the cardholder, leaving 10 not yet returned,—i. e., at the close of the year. If these are not recovered or paid for within thirty days, the cases will be turned over to the City Attorney. As is the case always and everywhere, this extra labor is caused by a comparatively few persons. The same names so frequently recur that they have become familiar to the clerk, who is sure that more than half of all the notices for books overdue are sent to less than 300 out of the 30,000 cardholders. In this instance, however, the prompt do not suffer (pecuniarily, at least) for the negligent; for the fines collected in accordance with the rules of the Library pay for the stationery, postage and extra service.

Last year's report noted the fact that out of 331,000 volumes drawn for home reading only three were not returned; and out of a total issue of over half a million books and periodicals only ten were not recovered. It was hardly to be expected that such a remarkable record could be kept up indefinitely. The figures given in computing the net growth of the collection show that out of a home issue of 472,718 volumes all but 35 were returned; and about 10 of these there is a doubt which has been credited to the cardholders, leaving only 25 certified delinquents. To these must be added five volumes issued for use in the rooms, making 40 volumes not returned out of a total issue of nearly 700,000 books and periodicals.

Persistent effort has been made to recover the missing books. The five issued for use in the rooms, it was found, were drawn on false names or addresses. The cases of registered cardholders, after other means had proved fruitless, were turned over to the City Attorney, with the following results: 41 cases were submitted to the City Attorney; 33 were settled (chiefly out of court) in favor of the Library; one was decided against the Library; and seven are still pending.

PROGRESS AND IMPROVEMENT.

Since the ultimate object of all library activity is to put books into the hands of readers, an increase of 150,000 in the issue is the chief note of the year's progress.

The substitution of the Welsbach light for electric lamps in the read-

ing-room has thus far produced satisfactory results, furnishing a superior light at considerably less cost. The expense of the change, $198, was paid for by the saving in light bills the first three months.

NEW CARD CATALOGUE.

As successive classes were finished, the new classified catalogue was substituted for the old. All the classes except 27 (public documents) and 52–58 (medical collection) having been completed, on May 26th the cabinets containing the author index (lacking the sections mentioned above) were transferred to the delivery room, and the old stands with their soiled and worn cards were removed. With the exceptions noted, the public now has access to a complete author and subject catalogue of the collection on typewritten cards, arranged in small removable drawers, so that one person need monopolize but few cards. The classes not yet recatalogued are represented by the remaining sections of the old catalogue.

BUILDING SITE.

The most signal event of the year was the purchase of a building site. The need of a new building is now apparent, and in a few years will become pressing. The work of a great free library cannot be carried on to the satisfaction of the public in the sixth and seventh floors of a commercial building. Moreover, the preservation of treasures that cannot be replaced, requires a separate and isolated structure that cannot be endangered by fire in adjoining buildings.

THE LIBRARY STAFF.

No additions have been made to the staff as published in the last annual report. This, however, while covering the year ending April 30, 1895, did not appear (owing to delays at the City Hall), till the latter part of December. Therefore Miss Dawson was included in the published list, though she was appointed in November, the middle of the year covered by this report. The growing skill and efficiency of the assistants has enabled us to meet the demands of a largely increased circulation with no other additions to the staff.

April 1st Misses Chase and Gibson, assistant cataloguers, resigned under circumstances that offered a measure of compensation for the loss. With Miss McCreary they had taken a civil service examination for the position of cataloguer in the Public Document Bureau at Washington. There were eighty competitors from various parts of the Union, including a considerable number in Washington City. Only five made a satisfactory percentage; three of these five were Misses Gibson, Chase and McCreary. Only two cataloguers were immediately required; and the appointments went to Misses Gibson and Chase who stood at the head of the list. The vacancies thus created have been filled by the promotion of Miss Fichtenkam to the position of assistant cataloguer and the temporary employment of Miss Aikins until the completion of the new catalogue.

I take great pleasure in repeating my commendation of last year on the intelligence, zeal and courtesy shown by the members of the staff in the performance of their respective duties.

DEATH OF HON. STEPHEN D. BARLOW.

Last summer one of the earliest and best friends of the Library went to receive from a higher source the words of approval with which his fellow-citizens had long since crowned his earthly life. Full of years and honors, admired and loved by all who knew him, Stephen D. Barlow, the first President of the St. Louis Public School Library, passed from this world, Thursday, August 8, 1895.

A special meeting of the Board was called at once and the following memorial and resolutions were adopted:—

The Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, in recognition of generous public spirit and in gratitude to one of its founders, wishes to place on record a memorial of its admiration and respect for the Hon. Stephen D. Barlow, who departed this life on Thursday, August 8, 1895.

Mr. Barlow, while a member of the legislature in 1865, obtained the charter of the Public School Library Society, and upon its organization he became its first president. Being at the same time President of the Board of Public Schools, he was able, in that capacity, to do much to foster this supplementary department of the public school system. For many years afterwards, he gave active service to the institution and up to the time of his death he evinced the liveliest satisfaction in its success and the greatest pleasure in the good it accomplished and the happiness it brought to an increasing number of his fellow-citizens.

Resolved: That this brief minute of his distinguished services to the cause of popular education in St. Louis be entered on the records of the Library and that a copy be sent to his family.

APPENDIXES.

In the list of appendixes I submit:—

I. A list of the records kept in the various departments of the Library. This supplements the account of processes given in my last report; and the two together furnish a complete exposition of the administrative methods of the Library.

II. Three lists of the books that scored the largest issue from June 1, 1895 to April 30, 1896; (a) novels, (b) juveniles, (c) miscellaneous.

III. A complete list of donations, including newspapers and periodicals.

PRESIDENT GILMAN ON THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Public Library needs no defense or justification in St. Louis. Our citizens adopted it by a decided vote, and they have given it the most practical approval. It is, however, always gratifying to find reasons for the faith that is in us well set forth by a man of the highest intelligence and character. In his *Socialism and the American Spirit*, President Gilman, of Johns Hopkins University, writes as follows:—

"The free public library system, like every other human institution, is imperfect, but it is under the control in the United States of a body of librarians and friends of public education who are making it a val-

uable adjunct to the free school system. A very large proportion of the pupils in our public schools leave them early to engage in active life, and the American believes that the public library does well to furnish this class of persons, if no others, with the means of progress in knowledge. The public library is, in a sense, the people's university. Wherever this institution is found in a New England town, it is correctly considered by the traveler a sure sign of a higher level of general intelligence, public spirit and peace and order than prevails in most towns destitute of such a feature.

"In coping with the illiteracy and ignorance of the foreign element, in enlightening the great mass of voters as to the history and logic of the institutions under which they live, and in forming a sound and vigorous public opinion on subjects of current or enduring interest, the free library has a great part to play in the United States.

"Here in America the public library system has the unanimous indorsement of educators and the professional classes. Only a few years' experience in a town where a public library has been established would be needed to convince the thoroughgoing individualist that its advantages far outweigh its disadvantages. It is surely an important factor in promoting the public welfare of a curious and civilized people, eager for knowledge and anxious to apply all their knowledge to the improvement of their circumstances. The free public library system has passed beyond the stage of argument in the state of the Pilgrims and the Puritans; it is deeply rooted in the social system of Massachusetts; and its good effects in promoting public intelligence, order and progress are indisputable. But whether the free public library is entirely the gift of an individual citizen or the joint result of private generosity and a municipal grant, or altogether the creation of the town or city, it is a perfectly valid institution; its logic is sound and its good results are amply and undeniably apparent. In the gradual extension of the free public library system from the larger cities into the smaller towns will, in fact, be found one of the surest guarantees of the perpetuity of the American Republic."

Respectfully submitted,

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

June 6, 1896.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius personally known to me, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1896, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 8th day of June, 1896.

(Seal.)

ALFRED C. F. MEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires January 15, 1899.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report to the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 8th day of June, 1896.

(Seal.) GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis.

My term expires March 14, 1897.

APPENDIX NO. 1.

CLASSIFED LIST OF LIBRARY RECORDS.

This list supplements the account of processes given in the last annual report; and the two together offer an explanation in outline of the administrative methods of the Library.

ACCESSION AND ORDER DEPARTMENT.

RECOMMENDATION CARDS.— Cards of same size as catalogue cards, containing author, title, place, date, publisher, price, name and residence of person recommending; any further information about the book on the back.

When a reader wishes to recommend a book for purchase, one of these cards is handed to him to fill out. These cards with others on which have been pasted (or written) extracts from book reviews and entries from the *Publishers' Weekly*, take the course explained in my last report.

ORDER LIST.— Composed of the cards mentioned above with the addition of cards for books replaced, continuations, orders from second-hand catalogues, auction bids, etc.,— in short, every outstanding book order. Each card is stamped with name of the bookseller or agent and the date of the order. When a book is reordered from the same or another bookseller, that fact also is noted.

ORDER BLANK.— List of books made for the dealer or agent, to whom it is sent after being duplicated in the order book. Arranged alphabetically by author. Gives author and title (place, date and publisher when known).

ORDER BOOK.— Contains letter-press copy of all orders sent out and of letters relating to orders. Indexed by dealer.

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES.— Record kept on cards arranged by name of donor, containing name and address of donor, date of gift, name of book or books (unless too numerous), number of volumes and pamphlets, check mark to show that gift was acknowledged.

PUBLIC DOCUMENT BOOK.— List of state and city documents, reports of institutions, societies, *etc.*, with dates of publication, used as explained in last report.

WITHDRAWN BOOK.— A record of all the books worn out or for any reason discarded. Arranged under date alphabetically by author. Gives accession number, author, title, volume number, class, check mark to show that shelf list card has been stamped and another to show whether it is the last copy on the shelves or not. Checked by Librarian and Assistant Librarian to show desirability of replacement and marked "Replaced" when ordered by the Book Committee. Contains also date of report to Committee and of reordering, number of volumes withdrawn, and number "Replaced." Numbered beginning with each year, the last number at any time showing the number withdrawn up to date.

LOST AND PAID FOR BOOK.— Duplicates above items for *books lost and paid for.*

BOOKS SOLD.— Duplicates "withdrawn book" items for books sold except in regard to replacement.

These records are laid before the Book Committee at each meeting; and the first orders given are always for books whose popularity has been shown by their being worn out.

THE PROCESS OF PREPARING A NEW BOOK FOR CIRCULATION was explained in my last report. The various steps are summarized as follows:—

1. Take card out of order list and place in book.
2. Enter source, publisher's price and discount in book.
3. Check off bill.
4. Classify.
5. Accession.
6. Shelf-list.
7. Catalogue.
8. Write book card and pocket, (book-plate only in the case of reference books).
9. Stamp to show Library ownership.
10. Paste in pocket and date slip, or book plates.
11. Sent to proper department.
12. Shelve.

PERIODICAL ACCESSION BOOK.— Contains list of unbound periodicals. Gives date of accession, accession number, name of periodical, month of issue, and final disposal (whether sold or bound and placed on the regular shelves).

CATALOGUING DEPARTMENT.

ACCESSION (OR ENTRY) LEDGER.— Large folios (the one now in use being No. 13, of the series), which contain a complete history of the collection from the beginning. Before being catalogued every volume is entered in this record. On every page of the ledger are 50 lines numbered consecutively from the first line of the first ledger. The number opposite each entry shows the order of acquisition of the book; and the number of the last entry shows the total number of volumes entered since the organization of the library. The following items regarding each volume are noted: —

1. Date of entry.
2. Accession number.
3. Author.
4. Title.
5. Volume number.
6. Place of publication.
7. Publisher.
8. Date.
9. Size.
10. Class.
11. Additions classified (philosophy, religion, *etc.*).
12. Source classified (purchase, gift, *etc.*).
13. From whom obtained.
14. Publisher's price.
15. Remarks.

In the column headed remarks mention is made of any special feature; and if a volume is worn out, or sold, or lost and paid for, or for any other reason permanently removed from the shelves, the fact is noted oppposite its record, so that the entry ledger shows the actual state of the collection at the present time.

Official Card Catalogue.— A manuscript catalogue on cards combining entries under authors, titles of novels and juveniles and other striking titles. Items:—

1. Author's name (in full if obtainable without too great a loss of time).
2. Title.
3. Edition.
4. Portrait.
5. Place of publication.
6. Date.
7. Number of volumes.
8. Size.
9. Series.
10. Class number (in upper right hand corner).

Shelf List.— Card list of the books as they stand on the shelves, giving author, title, class and accession number of each volume. Used in taking the inventory, each card being stamped with date of inventory as book is found on shelves. Serves also as an index to the accession book and as a classed catalogue.

Public Card Catalogue.

1. Author catalogue.

Combines entries under authors and striking titles of books not novels. Duplicates items in official catalogue.

2. Classed catalogue.

Duplicates author entries, but is arranged in classed order and alphabetically under each class. Added entries are made for books which do not properly stand in a given class, but which are so nearly allied in subject as to make a reference useful.

3. German catalogue.

An author catalogue of all German books in Library. Duplicates items in the other catalogues.

4. Fiction lists.

Novels in English, French, German, and other languages respectively arranged by title.

5. Juvenile catalogue.

Dictionary catalogue of books for the young, containing author, title and subject, arranged in one alphabetical list.

Book Cards.— Contain accession number, author, title, volume number and class. Kept in the book pocket when book is in Library. When book is "out" the card stands in a tray with an alphabetico-numerical arrangement of issues and serves as a record of books "out."

Bibliographies and Reference Lists.—Published in Monthly Bulletin or typewritten, and hung up on bulletin board including thus far the following subjects:—

Printed.	*Typewritten.*
Oliver Wendell Holmes.	Botany for children.
Ralph Waldo Emerson.	Armenian question.
Selection of good novels (3 lists).	French fiction.
Selection of leading books of 1894.	South Africa.
Cuba.	Venezuela and the Monroe doctrine.
Turkey.	100 works of fiction worth reading.
Italy in the 19th century.	Russia.
Henry VIII.	Arthurian legend.
Agamemnon.	Don Quixote.
Lear.	Olympian games.
	Arbor day.
	Memorial day.

MONTHLY BULLETIN.— Published monthly containing: (a) Fiction list combining authors and titles; (b) List of new books added each month; (c) Lists of books on current topics.

PAMPHLET INDEX.— Arranged in two lists for convenience, viz., single pamphlets and continuations (reports, etc.).

PORTRAIT INDEX (In progress).— Card list arranged under subject. Each card may contain entries of from one to six books in which portrait of the subject is found.

INDEX TO RECITATIONS.— When finished this will be a complete index to all the recitations in the library.

It is arranged: 1, by titles; 2, by authors; 3, by subjects.

Though from its nature included in the catalogue department, all the work on it thus far has been done at odd times by assistants in the issue department.

BINDING AND REPAIR DEPARTMENT.*

BINDER'S BLANKS.— List of books sent to the binder. Contains binder's number, accession number, author, title, volume number, class, style of binding and remarks (as to color of leather, samples, etc.). Last number shows number of volumes sent up to date from beginning of current year.

BINDER'S BOOK.— Letter-press copies of binder's blanks.

BINDER'S LIST.— The "Book-cards" (See last report) of all circulating books withdrawn for rebinding arranged alphabetically by author.

REPAIR LIST.— Book cards of books being repaired in the Library, arranged by dates and under each date by author.

REPAIR RECORD.—Showing the number of volumes having (a) Leaves patched; (b) Leaves replaced; (c) Backs patched; (d) Books resewed; (e) Backs lettered; (f) New backs; (g) Backs replaced; (h) New covers.

CORRESPONDENCE AND MAILING DEPARTMENT.

LETTER BOOK.— Contains letter-press copies of all letters, communications, *etc.*, sent by the Library.

LETTER FILE.— In which all letters and other communications received by the Library are filed under name of sender.

MAILING LIST.— Names and addresses of persons to whom annual reports and other printed matter is sent. Arranged in four divisions, "inside" the city, "outside" libraries, and foreign. Alphabeted under name.

PUBLIC DOCUMENT LIST.— Described under accession department.

BOARD AND COMMITTEE RECORDS, REPORTS, ETC.

PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES.— (a) Four blank books in which the Librarian, as secretary, records the proceedings of the Board of Directors and three standing Committees; Administration, Book and Executive.

(b) Archives filed in order in case in fire-proof vault.

REPORT TO BOOK COMMITTEE.— Presented by Librarian at each meeting of the Committee, consisting of

(1) Financial statement.

Showing the amount expended for books, periodicals and binding, bills paid, bills rendered and outstanding orders.

* The process of preparing books for first binding, rebinding and making them ready for the shelves was explained in the last report.

(2) Reports on the following items: —

(a) Number of volumes withdrawn, sold, and lost and paid for, and number recommended for replacement.

(b) Number of volumes sent to the bindery.

(c) Number of volumes repaired in the library.

(d) Number of volumes and pamphlets received as exchanges and donations.

(e) Periodicals to be renewed, dropped or added.

(f) Books recommended for purchase by readers and by the Librarian.

Librarian's Monthly Report (to the Board).— (1) Detailed statement of receipts and expenditures.

(2) Report from the catalogue department, showing the number of volumes catalogued and placed on the shelves, classified: (a) according to the character of the books (Philosophy, Theology, Art, History, *etc.*); (b) according to source (purchase, gift, binding of pamphlets and binding of periodicals); (c) according to language.

(3) Report from the registration department, showing: 1st, the number of men, women and children registered to date; 2d, the number of reader's cards issued); 3d, the number of cards surrendered, number canceled by death or removal and held for fines; 4th, number of addresses changed.

(4) Report from Issue Department, showing: —

(a) Number of volumes issued for home use from regular collection, and collection of duplicates, and number issued through delivery stations.

(b) Number of books issued for use in the library.

(c) Number of periodicals given out from the reading-room desk.

(d) Number of notices of books overdue.

(e) Number of other notices to delinquents.

(f) Number of reserve postals sent.

(g) Number of persons carried up in elevators.

Monthly Report of the Book Committee, showing

(1) Number of volumes purchased.

(2) Number of volumes and pamphlets received as exchanges and donations.

(3) Number of volumes bound.

(4) Number of volumes repaired.

(5) Number of volumes worn out and withdrawn and lost and paid for and number replaced.

(6) Number of periodicals added.

Monthly Reports of Other Standing Committees.— Covering numerous subjects, such as Finance and Appropriations; Furniture and Repairs; Resignations, Appointments, Promotions and Salaries; Insurance; Delivery Stations, etc., etc.

Annual Reports.— (1) Schedule of estimated receipts and appropriations recommended, presented by the Executive Committee at the January meeting. (2) Report of the Board to the Mayor giving full details of the administration of the Library for the year ending April 30th.

BOOKKEEPING DEPARTMENT.

(a) Autographic Register.— All cash transactions are recorded on an autographic register. This register contains three paper rolls which

pass over a writing table. On one of these, a ruled and consecutively numbered slip, the original entry is made. By means of transferring ink pads, entries are made on the other two rolls. The original (payor's receipt) and the duplicates are thrown from the machine by the turn of a crank, the triplicate is rewound upon a spool inside the machine at the same time and cannot be tampered with, lost or mislaid. It always contains a fac-simile of every record made on the other two strips.

(b) DAY BOOK.—In this are recorded all cash receipts taken in during the day. Made up from the triplicate record in autographic register under the following heads:—

C. D. { Cards sold.
Magazines sold.
Books sold, lost and paid for.

Fines.
Books sold, lost and paid for.
Catalogues and bulletins.
Lost cards.
Reserve postals.

(c) CASH BOOK.— Itemized receipts and expenditures for the month.

(d) CONTINGENT FUND.— A separate account of the payment of small bills. Appropriation made by the Board each month.

(e) BANK FUND BOOK.— Desk receipts, *etc.*, deposited with a local Trust Co.

(f) BILLS PAYABLE. — Record of dates on which notes are due.

(g) MEDICAL FUND. — Account of receipts and expenditures and of separate fund for the purchase of medical books, given by several local medical societies.

(h) INSURANCE BOOK. — List of insurance policies with name of company, amount, premium, agent and date of expiration.

(i) APPROPRIATION BOOK. — Showing amount appropriated to each fund and the amount expended up to date.

(j) ITEMIZED MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT. — Cumulative.

Showing the receipts and the expenditures for each purpose for the separate months and the total of receipts and expenditures to date, also the unexpended balance.

(k) MONTHLY STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES. — Summarized.

These two statements are submitted to the Board as a part of the Librarian's monthly report, a copy being prepared for each Director.

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT.

STOCK AND FORM BOOKS. — (a) An indexed list of all the printing and stationery, blanks, *etc.*, used by the Library. It gives: —

1. Date of purchase.
2. Amount and quality.
3. Price.
4. From whom purchased.

(b) An indexed list of all supplies purchased for the Library. Same as foregoing.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

BORROWER'S CARD INDEX.— *(a) Application cards arranged alphabetically. Cards contain applicant's name, residence and business address, date of expiration, also guarantor's name and address. Cards, with the exception of guarantor's name and address, date of expiration and number filled out by applicant.

(b) List of borrowers arranged numerically. Cards contain the same information as the Application card, but is filled out by registration clerk.

GUARANTOR'S CARD INDEX.— Alphabetical list of persons acting as sureties for card-holders. Cards contain guarantor's name and address, guarantee, date of expiration and reader's number. Except date of expiration and reader's number filled out by guarantor.

DELINQUENT LIST.— List of cards held for fines, *etc.* Card list of all delinquents arranged alphabetically. This list always stands and bars persons whose names are recorded there from the privileges of the Library until all obligations are settled.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORD, containing

Total registration.
Cards surrendered.
Guarantors withdrawn.
Cardholders left town.
Cardholders that have died.
Addresses changed.
Reader's cards renewed.
Duplicate cards issued, cumulative.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

DAILY CIRCULATION RECORD.— (a) Classified list of all books issued for home use. Consists of "book-cards" of all circulating books in the hands of readers. Arranged alphabetically in trays under date book is due. Fiction and juveniles are arranged separately.

(b) Classified report of circulation made out at close of the day for Circulation and Reference Departments.

(c) A daily record of books issued for home, library and reference use and through delivery stations, with daily, weekly, monthly and yearly totals. Made up each morning from Issue report of day before.

LIST OF DELINQUENTS.— (a) Record of first and second delinquent notices.

(b) Record showing books overdue for which messenger has been sent, books recovered, guarantors notified, cases transmitted to the City Attorney, etc., arranged by dates.

MISCELLANEOUS NOTICES.— 1. Record of cardholders reported by Board of Health for contagious diseases. From it, 1st, cardholder is notified not to return any books he may have until properly fumigated, and also that none will be issued until disease has disappeared; 2d, memorandum is made on book card so that no fine will be charged until the book is reported all right by the Health Department.

2. Number of book cards rewritten.

3. Number of notices sent for new books added, books reserved, etc.

READING ROOM.

PERIODICAL CATALOGUE.— Card Index classed under the following heads: General periodicals, Medical periodicals, Newspapers, each

* Different colored card is used for minors. Same as adult application card except the addition of "school attended."

class subdivided into purchases and donations. Cards contain title, description (monthly, quarterly, *etc.*), date of order, source, number of copies received, price.

PERIODICAL CHECK LIST.—(a) Alphabetical list of periodicals, in which periodicals are checked off when received.

(b) Check-list of daily newspapers.

ISSUE RECORD.—A classified daily record of periodicals issued for reading room use, with weekly, monthly, and yearly totals. Made up each morning from "call slips" of previous day.

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS.

INVENTORY.—A ledger in which is recorded the results of each stock-taking under the following heads: Number of volumes in each class; Total number of volumes in Main Collection, Collection of Duplicates and South Branch; Number of volumes discarded, sold, and lost and paid for, exchanged and donated, since last stock-taking; Number of volumes drawn by readers and not returned; Number of volumes unaccounted for; Number of volumes found that were unaccounted for at previous inventory; Number of errors corrected in shelf-list; Number of errors corrected in book cards and labels.

DAILY TIME REGISTER.—Records time that each employee goes on duty, morning, afternoon and evening.

ATTENDANCE RECORD.—Posted every quarter from the daily register. Shows the attendance (number of absences and tardinesses and time lost), of each employee from entrance upon the library service to close of last quarter.

ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULE.—Showing who is on duty at each post during every hour in the day, also the special assignments for evenings, Sundays and holidays. Gives also vacations and holidays.

SCRAP BOOK OF LIBRARY HISTORY.—In which are pasted newspaper notices concerning the Library and handbills, circulars, *etc.*, issued by the Library, making an outline history of the institution.

APPENDIX NO. II.

LIST OF BOOKS ISSUED ONE HUNDRED TIMES OR MORE FROM JUNE 1, 1894, TO APRIL 30, 1896.

The following lists were compiled, as explained in the body of the report, by counting the entries on book cards that had been filled. In each copy of the books listed there is another card with more or less entries on it, some, it may be, nearly full. If all these entries could have been counted, the figures in all cases would have been larger, and doubtless many other books would have been included. The list of miscellaneous books would certainly have been enlarged. It is not likely, however, that numerous or material changes would have been made in the relative positions of the books.

The titles are grouped by hundreds, and arranged alphabetically by author in each hundred.

NOVELS.

		No. of Copies.	No. of Issues.
			900 & over.
Dumas	Count of Monte Cristo	84	1886
	Three musketeers.	33	944
Hugo	Les miserables.	70	1216
Thackeray	Vanity Fair	60	1408
Wallace	Ben Hur	56	1394
			600–900
Blackmore	Lorna Doone	86	656
Crawford	Katharine Lauderdale	22	629
	Ralstons	17	644
DuMaurier	Trilby	78	863
Eliot	Mill on the Floss..	80	693
	Romola	27	674
Fothergill	First violin	40	742
Hawthorne	Marble faun	16	656
	Scarlet letter	40	885
Holmes	Bessie's fortune	33	742
	Cameron pride	32	645
	Cousin Maude.	29	608
	Daisy Thornton	27	674
	Darkness and daylight	37	767
	Gretchen	34	741
	Madeline	28	649
	Marguerite	29	676
	Mildred	28	774
King	Colonel's daughter	29	831
Marlitt	Gold Elsie	25	618
	Old mam'selle's secret	23	663
Roe	Barriers burned away	34	722
	From jest to earnest	26	648
	Without a home..	22	615
	Young girl's wooing..	20	638
Wallace	Prince of India	22	856
Wilson	At the mercy of Tiberius	32	646
	Beulah	34	752
	Infelice	16	643
	Macaria	33	742
	St. Elmo.	52	778
	Vashti	31	648
			Over 500.
Bulwer	Last days of Pompeii	32	545
Collins	Moonstone	25	518
Crawford	Dr. Claudius	19	569
	Don Orsino	18	518
	Mr. Isaacs	21	555
	Roman singer	23	565
	Saracinesca	31	531
Doyle	White company	20	576
Dumas	Vicomte de Bragelonne	20	535
Eliot	Adam Bede	32	578
Holmes	Dora Deane	27	549
	Edna Browning	24	515
	English orphans..	25	575
	Ethelyn's mistake	22	519
	Queenie Hetherton	26	518
	Rose Mather	24	508
Holmes, O. W.	Elsie Venner	21	586
Jackson	Ramona	20	524
King	Marian's faith	25	581
Marlitt	Owl's nest	19	532
	Second wife	21	527
Mulock	John Halifax	16	512
Roe	Day of fate.	16	509
	He fell in love with his wife	17	574
	Opening a chestnut burr	28	510
Scott	Ivanhoe	43	587
Wallace	Fair god	22	510
Weyman	Gentleman of France	19	578
Wilson	Inez	22	533
			Over 400.
Barr	Bow of orange ribbon	21	423
Burnham	Next door	20	431
	No gentleman	19	429
Caine	Manxman	5	435
Cooper	Last of the Mohicans	16	425
Dickens	Oliver Twist.	26	413
Doyle	Adventures of Sherlock Holmes	18	442
	Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes	20	422
	Refugees	21	490

		No. of Copies.	No. of Issues.
		Over 400.	
Grand	Heavenly twins	11	497
Holmes	Chateau d'Or	22	452
	Edith Lyle	22	447
	Forest House	24	452
	Homestead on the hillside	23	482
	Hugh Worthington	23	437
	Meadow Brook	22	458
	Tempest and sunshine	19	432
King	Deserter	19	418
Marlitt	Countess Gisela	16	432
	Lady with the rubies	18	487
	Little moorland princess	20	465
Roe	Earth trembled	20	400
	Original belle	21	473
	What can she do	16	445
Scott	Kenilworth	19	472
Stowe	Uncle Tom's cabin	51	473
Sue	Wandering Jew	35	436
Ward	Marcella	10	420
Warner	Wide wide world	13	442
Yonge	Heir of Redcliffe	24	472
		Over 300.	
Auerbach	On the heights	22	349
Besant	All sorts and conditions of men	13	312
Bronte	Jane Eyre	26	381
	Shirley	15	394
Bulwer	Strange story	18	355
Burnham	Miss Bagg's secretary	15	301
Caine	Deemster	11	363
Carey	Not like other girls	13	368
	Queenie's whim	11	360
Clemens	Conn. Yankee	18	367
	Pudd'nhead Wilson	11	310
Cooper	Deerslayer	23	314
	Spy	18	307
Crawford	Sant' Ilario	23	343
Dickens	David Copperfield	58	371
Doyle	Great shadow	6	306
	Micah Clarke	18	371
Duchess	Phyllis	12	304
Dumas	Man in the iron mask	18	301
	Twenty years after	14	394
Ebers	Uarda	14	375
Eggleston	Hoosier schoolmaster	14	305
Eliot	Middlemarch	21	365
Goldsmith	Vicar of Wakefield	17	303
Haggard	King Solomon's mines	10	303
Hardy	Tess	18	336
Hawthorne	House of seven gables	23	361
Holmes	Marian Gray	23	388
	West Lawn	30	398
Howard	One summer	13	369
King	Capt. Blake	15	362
	Foes in ambush	7	315
	Two soldiers	12	365
Lyall	Donovan	17	327
	In the golden days	14	304
	We two	18	371
	Won by waiting	16	304
Marlitt	Bailiff's maid	13	397
Reade	Cloister and the hearth	10	307
	Put yourself in his place	19	342
Roche	Children of the Abbey	18	306
Roe	Face illumined	11	307
	Miss Lou	14	304
	Near to nature's heart	13	337
Stevenson	Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	5	342
Stockton	Rudder Grange	9	339
Warner	Golden house	12	347
Woolson	Anne	14	329
		Over 200.	
Alexander	Wooing o't	14	280
Balestier	Benefits forgot	2	210
Barrie	Little minister	16	229
Bellamy	Looking backward	11	202
Bronte	Villette	10	298
Bulwer	Alice	24	216
	Ernest Maltravers	16	263
	Last of the barons	24	264
	Rienzi	25	206
	Zanoni	13	230
Burnett	Fair barbarian	4	228
	Louisiana	16	232
Burnham	Mistress of Beech Knoll	12	286
	Sane lunatic	10	232
	Young maids and old	8	263
Carey	Aunt Diana	11	202
	Barbara Heathcote's trial	9	204
	Only the governess	13	209
Cervantes	Don Quixote	24	271
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Lippincott Publishing Company, Phil		1
Lippman, Morris J	2	1
Liverpool, Eng., Free Public Library		1
Lockwood, George R		1
Loevy, Benjamin	56	10
London, Eng., Bridge House Estates of the Corporation of the City of London	1	
Guildhall	1	
Howard Associat'n		2
Peace Society		1
Public Libraries and Museums		1
West Ham Public Libraries	1	1
Los Angeles, Cal., Public Library		1
Lubin, David, Sacramento, Cal		1
Lyman, Benjamin Smith, Phil		4
McCormick Theological Seminary, Chic		1
McCullar, Parker & Co., Boston		2
McCulloch, Miss Mary	1	
McVeigh, F. A., Salt Lake City, Utah		2
Madison, Wis., Health Officer		2
Maimonides Free Library, N. Y		1
Maine, Bank Examiner	1	
Bureau of Industry and Labor Statistics	6	
Commissioners of Fisheries and Game		1
Treasury Department		2
Manchester, Eng., Public Free Libraries		2
Manchester, N. H., City Library		2
Marlborough, Mass., Public Library		1
Marrett, A. J., Chic	1	
Marshalltown, Iowa, Public School Library		1
Martini, Benno, Berlin		1
Maryland, Bureau of Industrial Statistics		1
Insurance Commissioner	1	
Treasury Department	1	
Massachusetts, Auditor's Department	1	
Bureau of Statistics of Labor	2	
Commissioner of Public Records		1
Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game		1
Commissioners of Prisons	2	
Massachusetts, Eye and Ear Infirmary		2
Institute of Technology		4
Insurance Commissioner	1	
State Board of Agriculture	2	
State Board of Arbitration	1	
State Board of Lunacy and Charity	1	
Mckeel, Charles Haviland		2
Melville, H., N. Y	1	
Merwin, Maj. J. B		6
Michigan, Asylum for Deaf, Dumb and Blind		1
Commissioner of Railroads	2	
Fish Commissioner		8
School for the Blind	1	
State Board of Health	2	7
Superintendent of Public Instruction	21	
University	1	3
Milwaukee, Wis., Board of Public Works		1
Chamber of Commerce	1	
City Comptroller	1	
Commissioner of Health		1
Consolidated Department Reports	1	
Park Commissioners		4
Public Library		8
Minneapolis, Minn., City Officers	1	
Public Library	1	4
Minnesota, Geological and Natural History Survey	1	2
Missouri, Adjutant-General		1
Geological Survey	2	
Secretary of State	2	
State Medical Association	1	
State Pharmaceutical Association		1
State Treasurer	2	
State University		5
Missouri Botanical Garden	1	
Montclair, N. J., Free Public Library		1
Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass		2
Mullins, W. H., Salem, Mass		1
National Civil Service Reform League		1
National Electric Light Association	1	
Nelson, Edwin M., M. D	11	114
Nelson, N. O		1
New Bedford, Mass., Free Public Library		2
New England States, Secy's of State Boards of Health		1
New Hampshire, Board of Agriculture	1	
State Library	5	
New Haven, Conn., Public Library		3
New Jersey, Board of Agriculture	1	
Bureau of Statistics of Labor	2	
State Library	4	
New London, Conn., Public Library		11
New South Wales, Minister of Public Libraries	1	

	Vols.	Pphs.
New York (City), Aguilar Free Library		2
Cooper Union		5
Department of Docks	17	
Finance Department	10	
Free Circulating Library		1
Lenox Library	...	1
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen	1	3
Mercantile Library		2
Woman's Hospital		2
Board of Education	1	
Board of General Managers World's Columbian Exhibition	1	
Department of Docks	1	.. .
Forestry Commission	3	
Library	1	5
Reformatory	2	5
Reservation at Niagara	2	
University	88	29
New York Central and Hudson River Railroad	1	
New York Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers		2
Newark, N. J., Free Public Library	6	
Newberry Library, Chic	1	
Newton, Mass., Free Library		1
Niagara Publishing Company		1
Nijhoff, M., The Hague, Holland		1
North Adams, Mass., Public Library		1
North Carolina, Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	
Superintendent of Public Instruction	1	
North Dakota, Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor	2	1
State Board of Dental Examiners		2
O'Bear, Frank	70	
Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio		1
Ohio, Adjutant-General		1
Boys' Industrial School		2
Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	
Canal Commission		1
Commissioner of Common Schools	1	1
Commissioner of Railroads	1	
Department of Factory Inspection	1	
Fish and Game Commission		2
Institute for the Education of the Blind		2
Institution for Feeble-Minded Youth		1
Insurance Department	1	
Penitentiary		2
Secretary of State	11	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home		1
State Board of Agriculture	1	2
State Library		3
Supervisor of Public Printing		4
Olschki, Leo S., Venice, Italy		1
O'Neill, Hon. John J	3	1
Otis Library, Norwich, Conn		14
Parker, James & Co., Oxford, Eng		1
Parvin, T. S., Cedar Rapids, Ia	1	
Parvin, Prof. Theophilus, Phil		1
Patterson, N. J., Free Public Library		1
Pautucket, R. I., Free Public Library		1
Peabody Institute, Baltimore, Md		2
Peabody Institute, Peabody, Mass		2
Pennsylvania, Adjutant General	2	
Attorney General	2	
Commissioners of Public Charities	2	
Commissioners of Sinking Fund	2	
Commissioners of Soldiers' and Orphans' Schools	2	2
Inspector of Mines	8	
Insurance Commissioners	3	
Secretary of Internal Affairs	3	
State Board of Health	1	
State Grange	..	4
State Treasurer	1	
University of Pa.		1
Pennsylvania Library Club		1
Prison Society		1
Pentland, Young J., London, Eng		1
Peoria, Ill., Public Library		1
Perkins Institution for the Blind, Boston		2
Philadelphia, Penn., Apprentices' Library Co		1
Bureau of Water	9	
City Institute		1
Indian Rights Association		4
Library Company		2
Mercantile Library		2
Public Library		1
Yearly Meeting of Friends		1
Pittsburgh, Pa., Chamber of Commerce		1
Plainfield, N. J., Free Public Library		1
Portland, Me., Public Library		1
Portland, Oregon, Library Association		6
Pratt Institute Free Library, Brooklyn, N. Y		1
Preston School of Industry, Cal		1
Providence, R. I., High School		1
Public Library		13
Providence Athenæum, R. I		3
Quebec, City Treasurer	1	
Quincy, Ill., Public Library		3
Reilly, Frank J	11	22
Reynolds Library, Rochester, N. Y		3
Rhode Island, Commissioner of Public Schools	1	
Historical Society	...	1
Rhode Island Israelite Publishing Co		2
Ross, E. A., Cal		1
Ross, Frank W	1	
Ray, Pratapa Chandra, Calcutta, India		4
Rumbold, Frank, M. D	21	8
Rutland, V. T., Free Library		2

	Vols.	Pphs.
Rylance, Mrs. J. H., N. Y		1
St. Ignatius College, Chic		1
St. Joseph, Mo., Free Public Library		1
St. Louis, Mo., City Auditor	2	
City Register	2	
Comptroller		1
Excise Commissioner		1
Health Department	3	12
Mayor	5	
Park Commissioner	1	
Police Commissioner		1
Public Schools	60	31
Water Commissioner		1
Academy of Science		8
Aged and Infirm Israelites		1
Association of Painters and Sculptors		1
Civic Federation of St. L		1
College of Pharmacy		1
Evening Dispensary for Women		1
Girls' Industrial Home		1
Hospital Saturday and Sunday Association		1
Mercantile Library		2
Merchants' Exchange	2	
St. Louis Froebel Society	6	
St. Louis Law Library Association	1	
St. Louis Post-Dispatch	1	
St. Louis Provident Association		3
St. Louis Socialistic Labor Party		39
St. Louis Training School for Nurses		1
St. Louis, Union Club		1
St. Louis University		1
St. Louis, Washington University		2
St. Louis, Wednesday Club		2
St. Louis, Women's Christian Association		1
St. Mary's Industrial School for Boys, Balt		1
St. Paul, Minn., Public Library		2
Salem, Mass., Public Library		11
San Francisco, Cal., Board of Park Commissioners	2	
Board of Supervisors	1	
Board of Trade		2
Free Public Library		13
Mayor		2
Mechanics' Institute		2
Scranton, Pa., Public Library		5
Sedelmeyer, Charles, Paris, France	2	
Seigfried, Militer and Sohn, Berlin		1
Sheldon, W. L		4
Siam, King of	39	
Sioux City, Ia., Library Association		2
Smith, Thaddeus S		1
Smithsonian Institution	3	21
Smythe, William E		4
Somerville, Mass., Public Library		1
Soudier, H. le., Paris		2
South Carolina, Superintendent of Education		1
South Dakota, Secretary of State	1	
Spelbrink, Berney	1	
Spencer, Hon. Selden P		3
Springfield, Mass., Library Association		14
Springfield, Ohio., Public Library		1
Stechert, Gustave E		2
Stendel, H. H	6	
Stevenson, James S	1	
Sutro, Hon. Adolph, San Fran		4
Tatum, Hon. Joseph	10	
Taunton, Mass., Public Library		2
Tennessee, University and Blount College		1
Thompson, Hugh M	130	4
Toronto, Can., Public Library	1	1
Tulane University, New Orleans, La		1
United Society of Shakers, Wickliffe, Ohio	1	4
U. S. Bureau of Amer. Republics		3
Bureau of Education	6	3
Civil Service Commission	1	
Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries	1	
Commissioner of Labor		4
Department of Agriculture	6	199
Department of the Interior	87	35
Department of State		2
Government Publications		2
Interstate Commerce Commission	3	2
Superintendent of Documents	147	50
Treasury Department	13	77
War Department	20	1
Weather Bureau	2	24
Uruguay, S. A., Consul General. Presidente	2	2
		1
Utica, N. Y., Public Library	1	
Valentine, B. B., Richmond, Va	2	
Vermont, Agricultural Experiment Station		7
University of Vermont		1
Virginia, Railroad Commissioner	7	
University of Virginia		1
Wakeman, W. H., New Haven	1	
Waltham, Mass., Public Library		18
Walsh, E. W., N. Y		1
Walther, Herman, Berlin		2
Warren County Library, Monmouth, Ill		4
Watertown, Mass., Free Public Library		2
Webb, Mohammed Alex Russell, N. Y		3
Wemyss, R. J., West Superior, Wis		1
Werner, N. J	1	1
Werner and Co., Chic	2	
Wesleyan University, Middletown, Conn		1
Westermann & Co, N. Y		1
Vienna, K. K. Bibliothek		2
Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Public Library		2
William Jewell College, Liberty, Mo		1
Wilmington Institute, Wilmington, Del		1
Winchell, B. L., Denver, Col		3
Winter, Noel, N. Y	1	
Wisconsin, Commissioners of Fisheries		1
Secretary of State	1	

	Vols.	Pphs.
Winconsin, State Historical Society Library	85	241
State Superintendent		5
University		13
Woburn, Mass., Public Library	...	1
Worcester, Mass., Free Public Library		6
Wyoming, State Auditor		8
State Engineer		1
Wyoming, Superintendent of Public Instruction		1
Yale University, New Haven, Conn		2
Young Men's Christian Association		1
Young Men's Christian Association, New York		10

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS DONATED.

GENERAL PERIODICALS.

Albion, N. Y., Museum Monthly
Battles, Ala., Fairhope Courier Monthly
Berne, Switzerland, Propriete Industrielle Monthly
Boston, American Fabian Monthly
Christian Register Weekly
Christian Science Journal Monthly
Employer and Employed Quarterly
Good Roads Monthly
Missionary Herald Monthly
Buffalo, American Investments Monthly
Municipality and County Monthly
Butte City, Montana Educator Monthly
Cambridge, Mass., Reader, ... Semi-Monthly
Centralia, Ill., School Review Weekly
Charlottesville, Va., Alumni Bulletin of the University of Virginia, ... Monthly
Chicago, Altruistic Review Monthly
American Jewess Monthly
American Soap Journal Monthly
Banner of Gold Weekly
Bearings Weekly
Citizen Monthly
Elite Weekly
Office Men's Record Quarterly
Phrenological News Monthly
Railway Review Weekly
Referee Weekly
Self-Culture Monthly
Stationary Engineer Monthly
Stationer and Printer, ... Semi-Monthly
Union Signal Weekly
Cincinnati, Bohemian Monthly
Furniture Worker Weekly
New Bohemian Monthly
Colton, Cal., Colton Chronicle Weekly
Columbia, M. S. U. Independent Monthly
Missouri State Agricultural Bulletin Irregular
Concord, N. H., Journal of Speculative Philosophy Irregular
Dallas, Texas Farm and Ranch Weekly
Denver, Bookleaf Monthly
Books Monthly
Mining Industry Weekly
Detroit, Pernin's Stenographer Monthly
Hartford, Hartford Seminary Record Bi-Monthly
Locomotive Monthly
Travelers Record Monthly
Honolulu, Paradise of the Pacific Monthly
Hudson, Mass., Woman's Home Journal Monthly
Ithaca, N. Y., Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin Irregular
Kansas City, Grocer's Journal of Commerce Semi-Monthly
Knoxville, Tennessee University Magazine Monthly
Lamoni, Ia., Autumn Leaves Monthly
London, Eng., Herald of Peace Weekly
Phonetic Journal Weekly
Pioneer of Wisdom Monthly
Positivist Review Monthly
Los Angeles, California Cultivator Monthly
Investor Weekly
Land of Sunshine Monthly
Milwaukee, Erziehungs Blätter Monthly
Minneapolis, Literary Light Monthly
Minnesota Weather and Crop Review Monthly
Nashville, Breeder and Horseman Weekly
Nogales, Ariz., Oasis Weekly
New York, American Druggist, ... Semi-Monthly
Atlantis (Greek) Weekly
Church Union Weekly
Cook's Excursionist Monthly
Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly
Literary News Monthly
National Provisioner Weekly
New Church Messenger Weekly
New Earth Monthly
Painting and Decorating Monthly
Path Monthly
Public Spirit Monthly
Shorthand Educator Monthly
Social Economist Monthly
Street Railway Gazette Weekly
Street Railway Journal Monthly
Student's Journal Monthly
Twentieth Century Weekly
Oakland, Saturday Press Weekly
Paris, France, Journal du Droit International Prive Monthly
Revue des Livres Semi-Monthly
Philadelphia, American Athlete Weekly
City and State Weekly
Food, Home and Garden Weekly
Journal of Zoophily Monthly
Woman's Progress Month y
Pittsburgh, Youth's Journal Monthly
Providence, Israelite Weekly
St. Louis, Abendschule Weekly
Age of Steel Weekly
American Baptist Flag Weekly
American Law Review, ... Bi-Monthly
Baptist Church Record Weekly
Building and Trades Journal Weekly
Bote der Neuen Kirche Weekly
Central Law Journal Weekly
Chaperone Monthly
Church News Monthly
Christian Advocate Weekly
Electrical Worker Monthly
Farm Machinery Weekly
Great Southwest Monthly
Hesperian Quarterly
Homeless Child's Friend Monthly
Hotel and Railway Gazette Daily
Humorist Weekly
Inland Monthly
Inland Engineer Monthly
International Evangel Monthly
Life Weekly
Lumberman Monthly
Mekeel's Weekly Weekly
Mid Continent Weekly
Mirror Weekly
Missouri Sanitarian Monthly
Non-Sectarian Monthly

St. Louis, Pedal Weekly
Philatelic Journal..... Monthly
Schalk.. Weekly
School and Home..... Fortnightly
Shoe and Leather Gazette Weekly
Squib..... Weekly
Stoves and Hardware Reporter..... Weekly
Student Life Monthly
Suburban Home Journal. Monthly
Western Builder.. Weekly
Western Insurance Review..... Monthly
Salem, Mass., Essex Bulletin Irregular
Essex Institute of Historical Collections.. Irregular
Salem, Ark., North Arkansas Nugget.. Weekly
Salmon, Id., Lemhi Republic..... Weekly
Salt Lake City, Our Goat..... Monthly
San Francisco, California Architect. Monthly
Mexican Exposition..... Semi-Monthly
San Francisco, Star..... Weekly
Tennessee City, Coming Nation..... Weekly
Topeka, Western School Journal.. Monthly
Toronto, Canada Educational Monthly
Ulster Park, N. Y., Moslem World .. Monthly
Urbana, O., University Courant ... Monthly
Urvana, Ill., Ill. Univ. of Agricultural Experiment Sta. Bulletin.. Irregular
Utica, N. Y., Poultry World.. Monthly
Washington, Kate Field's Washington..... Weekly
U. S. Congressional Records
U. S. Consular Reports Monthly
U. S. Consular Special. Irregular
U. S. Dept. Agriculture, Insect Life Irregular
U. S. Patent Office Official Gazette.. ... Weekly
U. S. Postal Record.. Monthly
U. S. Smithsonian Institute Bulletin
Wilmington, Del., Justice..... Weekly

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Chicago, National Popular Review..... Monthly
Ft. Wayne, Ind., Ft. Wayne Medical Magazine..... Monthly
McCasky's Clinical Studies.
Minneapolis, Northwestern Medcal Journal Monthly
St. Louis, Clinique Monthly
Medical Brief Monthly
Medical Fortnightly Semi-Monthly
St. Louis, Medical Mirror Monthly
Meyer Brothers Druggist. Monthly
Universal Medical Journal..... Monthly

NEWSPAPERS.

Algiers, La., Algiers Herald Weekly
Chicago, Chicago Evening Lamp.... Weekly
Chicago Nederlander..... Weekly
Cincinnati, Light of Truth. Weekly
Cleveland, Cleveland Citizen..... Weekly
Cleveland Recorder..... Weekly
East St. Louis, Ill., East St. Louis Gazette..... Daily
East St. Louis Journal..... Daily
Ft. Madison, Io., Ft. Madison Democrat.. Weekly
Houston, Tex., Houston Daily Post.... Daily
Kansas City, Kansas City Times, Semi-Monthly
Keokuk, Io. , Keokuk Post (German)
Lebanon, Ill., Lebanon Journal.... Weekly
Melbourne, Aus., The Australasian. Weekly
Milwaukee, Kuryer Polski..... Daily
New Orleans, La , New Orleans Daily City Times Daily
New York, Dolgerville Herald..... Daily
Der Fuhrer.... Monthly
Perriss, Cal., New Era. Weekly
St. Louis, Anzeiger des Westens Daily
Church Progress and Catholic World..... Weekly
Coleman's Rural World.. Weekly
Jewish Voice..... Weekly
Las Dos Naciones..... Weekly
Single Tax Courier Weekly
True American Weekly
Western Watchman..... Weekly
Amerika Daily
Chronicle Daily
Globe-Democrat..... Daily
Labor Weekly
Post-Dispatch Daily
Republic Daily
Star-Sayings.. Daily
Tageblatt..... Daily
Tribune Daily
Seattle, Wash., Seattle Press Times.. Daily
Superior, Wis., Superior Leader..... Daily
Sydney, Aus., Sydney Morning Herald Daily
Tennessee City, The Coming Nation... Daily

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ST. LOUIS PUBLIC (FREE) LIBRARY.

To Hon. Henry Ziegenhein, Mayor of St. Louis:

DEAR SIR — The end of another year's service in this department of the city makes it incumbent upon the Board of Directors of the Public Library to present its annual report.

With this, and as a portion of this report, we attach the annual report to this Board of our very efficient Librarian. In addition to the usual statistics and other facts showing the rapid growth and also showing conclusively the important part the Library is playing in the progress and culture of the city, may be found the financial statement sworn to by the proper officials as required by law. A careful comparison of this financial statement with that of any other public library similarly situated will not be unfavorable, especially when are considered the large rental and elevator expenses, which still absorb so considerable a percentage of our current income. We do not call attention to this financial record in any spirit of boasting, but to show that our resources are in such a condition that nothing but the most rigid economy, such as has been practiced, will enable the Board to perform its necessary work and complete payments on the site selected for a future home for the Library, as set forth in the last annual report.

Early in 1896 the School Board notified the Library Board that it must have room in the Blow School Building, which had been occupied by the Carondelet Branch library established by the Library when under the management of the Life Members and the School Board. Efforts were made in connection with public-spirited citizens of South St. Louis to continue this branch on a scale of expenses which could be justified by

the Board, but in vain. The branch was discontinued, and delivery stations substituted, much to the disappointment of the patrons of this branch, who had so long been accustomed to this great convenience.

This form of library extension is very efficient, and affords a method of increasing the usefulness of the main library many fold. Your Board hopes that some day the income at its disposal will enable it to establish branch libraries in eligible districts all over the city. A resolution has been adopted, and is on record, offering to furnish books and periodicals to any community in the city that will secure at its own expense a suitable room and custodian. For the present, however, the free delivery stations must be our only relief from the congestion of our main delivery department.

These delivery stations now number thirty, and the Librarian's statistics will show the great increase in their use and how much they are appreciated.

The importance of securing in some way a fund for the erection of a suitable library building, which would not only be a permanent home but also an edifice thoroughly equipped for its work and in every way creditable to a city of this magnitude, was fully set forth in the last annual report of the Board. How it was to be accomplished, was the problem that must be solved. As no citizen of wealth had been moved to seize this opportunity and attach his name to an everlasting monument of his devotion to his city and her future greatness, the only alternative was for the citizens to obligate themselves to pay for this much-needed building.

To do this it was necessary to obtain authority from the State legislature. A statute was prepared authorizing cities of a certain size to levy an additional tax for a period of five years for library building purposes only. The Library Law of 1885 permitted cities to tax themselves only for a permanent maintenance fund. The statute is similar in some respects to the Illinois law, and was prepared by the legal member of the Board, Mr. Arthur Lee, to whose professional services, always freely given, we are indebted for this and much other legal advice. The bill passed the Senate March 2nd and the House March 15th. In accordance with an emergency clause attached it received promptly the signature of the Governor, and became a law March 17th.

We wish here to publicly acknowledge the assistance rendered by our own Senators and Representatives and others from different parts of the State in securing the passage of this very important law. The provisions of the act required the question to be submitted to the legal voters at some regular election. The first opportunity that presented itself for such submission was at the election of April 6th last. The time was all too short to conduct a campaign of education necessary to

fully inform the voting public of the great importance of this measure to the city; but the Board decided to make the attempt, and the necessary petition was filed, which resulted in the question being submitted on the official ballot.

We take much pleasure in testifying to hearty and cordial support which the proposed slight increase in taxation received from every newspaper, without a single exception, in the city, all uniting in earnest advocacy of the measure.

The vote while gratifying in that a large majority voted in favor of the very small increase of the taxes for this purpose, yet lacked some 6,000 of the necessary two-thirds majority to make it effective. Had the seventeen thousand voters who failed to express themselves at that time realized the importance of carrying the measure at this election the result might have been different. As it is the next chance for its adoption will not be until the fall of '98. So the relief much sought for by the Board is indefinitely postponed, but the way is provided. It is hoped that before another regular election, the voting public may become so well informed in regard to the great needs of the Library that the measure, when again submitted, will be passed with ease and a beginning can be promptly made upon a convenient, commodious, permanent home for this large library.

A library, in the fourth city of this Republic, which is occupying rented quarters in the sixth and seventh floors of a mercantile building, far from being fire-proof, is hardly in keeping with the progress of the age. It is not necessary at this time to enter into any argument in favor of the free library. Its value is conceded everywhere, and its influence for good is increasing rapidly. The library, co-operating with the school and home, becomes the powerful ally of teacher and parent: Co-operating with factory or office it serves both employer and employee. Fortunate is the city that has for its librarian a man who is a moving spirit, and still more fortunate the community who, like St. Louis, has a librarian who stands in the fore front of his profession, and who, by his selection of books and advice given to readers, ever sets before the people food that will make them rational and moral. We are pleased to record that another city appreciating to the fullest extent the qualifications of our librarian made a most strenuous but unsuccessful effort to induce him to give up his work here and go to it. The inducements offered pecuniarily and otherwise were most tempting; but Mr. Crunden was constrained to remain and assist in the accomplishment of his heart's desire in his native city.

In conclusion, we would submit to your Honor the responsibility resting with you in making appointments to this Board. As the duties are arduous, without salary or any emoluments other than a consciousness

of duty faithfully done, selections should be made from such citizens as are well known, who possess a reputation for integrity and uprightness fully established in the community, and who can be induced to take this reponsibility inspired solely by civic pride, and an earnest desire to conscientiously discharge their duty in extending the greatest good to the greatest number by a wise administration of this most potent agency.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR L. WHITELAW,
President.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith my annual report for the year ending April 30, 1897, the second complete year of the operation of the institution as a Free Library.

During this year the total registration increased from 38,421 to 51,476, and the number of cards in use from 31,486 to 41,361. The issue of books for home reading grew from 472,718 volumes to 551,059, and the total issue in all departments from 688,492 to 787,028. More than 8,000 volumes were added to the collection, which at the end of the year contained about 115,000 volumes. Before this report appears in print it will number over 120,000 volumes.

FINANCES.

The following statement shows the receipts and expenditures. The more important points are as follows:—

The revenue from the city tax of one-fifth of a mill was $64,663.32.

The receipts from fines amounted to $2,752.48, an increase of $150 over the previous year; while the total desk receipts were $3,741.31, an increase of not quite $100 over the previous year.

During the year payments amounting to $24,872.58 were made on the ground purchased the previous year, making $65,931 thus far saved out of current revenues and paid towards securing a building site. Aside from this the total expenditure for the year was $46,720.67, which is nearly $3,000 less than the expenditure of the previous year, notwithstanding the fact explained below that this year's accounts include certain expenses properly belonging to the year before.

If the comparison with the previous year is carried into detail, there appears to be a surprising increase in three items of expense. In light there is an excess of $300; in electric power, $500; and in salaries of elevator conductors, $800. This apparent increase is due to the fact that the bill for the final quarter of the previous year was presented too late for payment in that year, and therefore this year's accounts include the payment of bills for five quarters. The apparent diminution of the cost of heat on Sundays and holidays from $496 to $146 is accounted for by the fact that in the last report all the extra charges for Sundays and holidays, including fuel, salaries for elevator conductors and for engineers and firemen were grouped under the head of extra charges for Sundays and holidays. The two items of electric power and conductor's salaries are here placed under those headings, which accounts further for the increase in those items, as mentioned above.

The reduction of nearly $250 in the expenditure for insurance is due to a brief period of rate-cutting which happened to cover the dates of expiration of a number of our policies.

Considering the expansion of the delivery station system, it is rather surprising that the increase of expense was only $200.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1897.

Dr.

To bal. in City Treas. Apr. 13, 1896	$30,802 45	
Collections Apr. 13, 1896, to Apr. 12, 1897	64,663 32	
		$95,465 77
Bal. in Bank Fund Apr. 1, 1896		5,400 05
Bal. in Contingent Fund Apr. 1, 1896		49 04
Coll. of Dup. Cards sold $650 02		
Mag. sold 34 30	$684 32	
Fines	2,752 48	
Books sold, lost and paid for	162 10	
Lost cards	99 65	
Catalogues and bulletins	29 65	
Postals	9 43	
Old paper, etc	3 38	
Total desk receipts		3,741 31
Rent		1,879 56
Interest		187 72
Total		$106,723 45

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By salaries		$20,126 54
Books, Main Library	$6,809 90	
Collection of Duplicates	420 35	
Binding	3,887 35	
Periodicals	905 48	
		$12,023 08
Building.		
Notes. (Payments on building site)	$24,872 58	
Rent	5,000 01	
Light, Elevator Salaries, Electric power. (for 5 quarters)	1,586 79 / 1,828 61 / 1,303 39	
Heat, Sundays and Holidays	146 97	
Water	138 52	
Furniture and Repairs	580 32	
Insurance	632 60	
		36,089 79
Expense.		
Election Expenses	$506 75	
Delivery Stations	933 35	
Postage	201 95	
Printing and Stationery	928 39	
Sundries	550 60	
Supplies	232 80	3,353 84
Total expenditures (including payments made on real estate)		$71,953 25
Bal. in Bank Fund April 1, 1897.		
Cert. of deposit $10,000 00		
Current deposit 490 47		10,490 47
Bal. in contingent fund April 12, 1897		101 80
Bal. in City Treasury April 12, 1897		24,537 93
		$106,723 45

REGISTRATION.

The total registration to April 30, 1896 was 38,421, with 31,486 cards in use. During the past year the registration has increased to 51,476 and the cards in use to 41,361. Particulars are given in the following table:—

Names registered to April 30, 1896		38,421
Additions for the year ending April 30, 1897.		
Institutions	69	
Men	2,988	
Women	3,369	
Children	6,629	13,055
Total		51,476
Total registration to April 30, 1897.		
Institutions	116	
Men	14,408	
Women	15,790	
Children	21,162	51,476
Less guarantors withdrawn	341	
Less canceled	45	
Less dead	57	
Less left town	531	
Less held for fines	1,200	
Less not yet called for	7,941	10,115
Total number of cards in use April 30, 1897		41,361

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

The past year has marked about the same growth in the collection as the year before. The table given below shows more books purchased and fewer received as gifts. The total of additions is 8,229 volumes, and the net increase 7,323 volumes. Those who took the pains to read the explanation of the process of cataloguing and preparing a book for circulation which I gave in my report for '95, will understand that there is considerable work involved in cataloguing and placing on the shelves nearly 700 volumes a month. The following tables give full details regarding classes, sources and languages:—

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1897.

Classes.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	49		49
Theology	275		275
Social Science	1,053		1,053
Natural Science	793		793
Art and Poetry	267		267
Fiction	2,009	250	2,259
Juvenile Literature	2,364		2,364
Literary Miscellany	299		299
Travels and History	538		538
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	332		332
	7,979	250	8,229

Source.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Purchase	6,440	249	6,689
Gift	1,032	1	1,033
Pamphlets, bound	84		84
Periodicals, bound	423		423
	7,979	250	8,229
Language.			
English	7,795	250	8,045
French	39		39
German	115		115
Spanish and Italian	30		30
	7,979	250	8,229

350 periodicals were added to complete sets.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned		751
Destroyed in cyclone		19
Lost and paid for		81
Sold		2
Charged to card-holders	51	
Drawn for use in Reading-room	2	53
Total		906
Total additions		8,229
Less above		906
Net increase		7,323

Of the 751 volumes worn out, 147 were damaged in the cyclone; 305 of the whole number withdrawn were replaced by new copies; and of the 81 lost and paid for 60 were replaced.

While the Library has endeavored to supply the wants of the many, the requirements of students have also received attention. Among the additions of the year are hundreds of works of great and permanent value, costing from four or five dollars up to twenty dollars each. A few titles are given below. Such purchases necessarily raise the average cost of the additions per volume, which this year was $1.08.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS.

ANDERSON, W. C. Dictionary of law. Q.
BAIRD, H. M. Huguenots. 2 v.
BERLIOZ, H. Treatise on modern instrumentation.
BLOXAM, M. H. Principles of Gothic ecclesiastical architecture. 3 v.
BLYTH, A. W. Poisons, their effects and detection.
BOEDECKER, C. F. W. Anatomy and pathology of the teeth. Q.
BOURGEOIS, E. Century of Louis XIV. F.
BOWIE, A. J. Practical treatise on hydraulic mining in California. Q.
BRUNOR, M. Practical electroplater.
BYRNE, A. T. Treatise on highway construction.
COLYER, F. Hydraulic, steam and hand power. Q.
CROCKFORD'S clerical directory. 1896.
DEPEW, C. M., *ed.* One hundred years of American commerce. 2 v. Q.

EGYPT Exploration Fund. Publications. F.
FARMER, S. History of Detroit and Michigan. 2 v. Q.
FLETCHER, B., *and* B. F. A hist. of architecture.
GOWER, *Lord*. Dispatches.
GROVES, C. E., *and* Thorp, W., *eds*. Chemical technology. 2 v.
HANSARD. Parliamentary debates. 66 v.
HAZLITT, W. C. History of the Venetian republic. 4 v.
HISTORY of banking in all the leading nations. 4 v. Q.
HOUSTON, E. J. Dictionary of electrical words, terms and phrases. Q.
JESUIT relations; ed. by R. G. Thwaites. v. 1-5.
JONES, L. A. Forms in conveyancing. Q.
LANG, A. Life and letters of Lockhart. 2 v.
LEA, H. C. History of auricular confession. 3 v.
MUTHER, R. History of modern painting. 3 v. F.
NANSEN, F. Farthest north. 2 v.
NATIONAL cyclopaedia of American biography. v. 6. Q.
PARSHALL, H. F., *and* Hobart, H. M. Armature windings of electric machines. Q.
PASTOR, L. History of the popes. 4 v.
PURCELL, E. S. Life of Cardinal Manning. 2 v.
RASHDALL, H. Universities of Europe in the middle ages. 3 v.
ROBERTS, F. S. Forty-one years in India. 2 v.
RODENBOUGH, T. F., *and* Haskin. Army of the U. S.
SPRAGUE, I., *and others*. Flowers and ferns of America. 2 v. Q.
STURGIS, R. European architecture.
TAYLOR, H. O. Ancient ideals. 2 v.
THURSTON, R. H. Manual of the steam engine. Pt. 2.
VAN RENSSELAER, *Mrs*. S. English cathedrals. Q.
VLADIMIR. China-Japan war.
WARNER, C. D., *and others*, *eds*. Library of the world's best literature. v. 1-8. Q.
WEGMAN, E. Water supply of the city of New York. 1658-1895. F.
WELCH, C. Modern history of the city of London. F.
WHEATON, H. History of the law of nations.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

Of the 8,229 volumes catalogued and placed on the shelves during the year, 1,033 were donations or exchanges. Some of these were received the previous year and acknowledged in my last report. The donations and exchanges of the past year amount to 1,163 volumes and 3,069 pamphlets, a complete list of which will be found in an appendix.

Among our most valued exchanges are the State Libraries of New York, Pennsylvania and Vermont. The Superintendent of Documents has taken pains to supply us with such United States documents as were under his control. Hon. Carroll D. Wright has sent to the library all the documents issued by his bureau, which are among the most valuable of government publications; and Hon. Seth W. Cobb, representative from the twelfth Missouri district, has always responded promptly and cheerfully to requests for U. S. documents. Among friends at home whose gifts call for special mention are Miss Leonora B. Halstead, Mrs. H. T. Wilcox, M. D., the Post-Dispatch, and Dr. D. R. McAnally, who, in pursuance of his plan to develop the collection given to the Library by his father, is a constant contributor.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

Taking the inventory of 1895 as a basis and adding the books entered in each class since that date, we obtain the following table showing the

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, APRIL 30, 1897.

Classes.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	1,273	1	1,274
Theology	5,046		5,046
Social Science	16,635	1	16,636
Natural Science	15,198	5	15,203
Art and Poetry	6,460	11	6,471
Fiction	22,580	1,272	23,852
Juvenile Literature	11,606	13	11,619
Literary Miscellany	6,514	9	6,523
Travels and History	14,386	15	14,401
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	9,950	2	9,952
Total	109,648	1,329	110,977

SUMMARY.

Total of entered books, April 30, 1897			110,977
Less { Books worn out, lost and paid for, etc. } Since June 21, 1895.	1,993		
Less { Entered duplicates, donated and exchanged. } Since June 21, 1895.	518		2,511
Total of entered books May, 1897			108,466
Books not yet catalogued (about)			3,000
Unentered duplicates (about)			2,000
Volumes of unbound magazines (about)			1,000
Total contents of Library, May 1, 1897			114,466

BINDING.

The records in this department make a favorable comparison with those of the previous year. There were 905 volumes (periodicals, pamphlets and books received in paper covers) bound for the first time at a cost of $589.05, an average of $63\frac{9}{10}$ cents. In volumes rebound by contract there was a reduction in number from 11,385 to 6,208 and in cost from $45\frac{3}{5}$ cents to $41\frac{1}{2}$ cents. The reduction in cost per volume is owing chiefly to the substitution of cloth for leather. It has been found that leather, while costing more, does not, for some classes of books, last as long as good linen or other textile fabrics. The decrease in the number of books rebound by contract is owing partly to the fact that the work of the previous year had put the collection into better condition and partly to the greater number repaired in the Library, — 13,777, costing (for material and salaries) $712.64 or $5\frac{1}{10}$ cents per volume, as against 11,381 the previous year. The repairs range from the patching or fastening of a few leaves to the complete rebinding of a book. The rebinding is done in duck or cloth and is limited to books that are subject to but little wear and tear. The monthly reports on this work are summarized as follows:—

Leaves patched, 4141 volumes; leaves replaced, 2849 volumes; backs replaced, 2412 volumes; backs patched, 2328 volumes; new backs, 506 volumes; backs lettered, 681 volumes; books sewed, 255 volumes; new covers, 505 volumes.

CIRCULATION.

The statistics for the year show an increase of 78,341 volumes, or more than 16%, in the home issue, of 5,158, or 11%, in the use of books for reference and 14,587, or 8½%, in the reading-room issue, making a gain of 98,086, or 14%, in the total issue. The discrepancy between the recorded issue and the books really used in the reference department naturally grows greater every year. With the increasing number of students and the greater freedom given them it becomes more and more difficult to keep a count of the number of volumes consulted by them. It is safe to say the record given of books used in the reference department falls 10,000 volumes short of the real number. Full particulars regarding the issue are given in the following tables:—

ISSUE BY MONTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1897.

	HOME ISSUE.				Library Issue.	Reading Room Issue.	Total.
	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	Sunday Schools & Social Settlements.	Total.			
May	30527	5784		36311	3747	12606	52664
June	32666	4737		37403	2995	14190	54588
July	33681	5134		38815	3113	10071	51999
August	34858	4551		39409	2835	9750	51994
September	31416	4526		35942	2913	13200	52055
October	34543	3850		39393	4196	16234	59823
November	36566	8022	257	44832	5107	16327	66286
December	38822	10657	1052	50531	4860	17483	72874
January	41729	10978	1730	54437	5110	18440	78187
February	41408	11744	2491	55643	4877	19409	79929
March	44641	14258	3137	62036	5584	21165	88805
April	39733	13668	2886	56287	5703	15834	77824
1896-97	439590	99916	11553	551059	51240	184729	787028
1895-96	426499	40302	5917	472718	46082	170142	688942
Gain	13091	59614	5636	78341	5158	14587	98086

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	2424	.44	685	1.33	3109	.52
Theology	3742	.68	1693	3.30	5435	.90
Social Science	9028	1.64	5541	10 82	14569	2 42
Natural Science	14322	2.60	5215	10 18	19537	3.24
Art and Poetry	13483	2.45	5323	10 39	18806	3.12
Fiction	321023	58 25	9319	18 19	330342	54 85
Juvenile	144354	26 20	3302	6 44	147656	24 52
Literary Miscellany	11999	2 18	4169	8 14	16168	2 68
Geography and History	24826	4 50	6454	12 60	31280	5 19
Cyclopaedias and Magazines	5858	1 06	9539	18 61	15397	2 56
	551059	100.00	51240	100.00	602299	100 00

Owing to the miscellaneous contents of most periodicals, an exact classification of them is impossible. Periodicals in the reading-room are roughly

classed by their leading characteristics; and on this is based the following table, showing the

CLASSIFIED READING-ROOM ISSUE.

	Issue.	Per Cent.		Issue.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	383	.21	Fiction	10085	5.43
Religion	2537	1.37	Juvenile	38489	20.81
Social Science	49956	27.05	Literary Misc	646	.35
Natural Science	25615	13.87	Geog. and Hist	53924	29.20
Art and Poetry	3144	1.71			
Total				184729	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

The extension of the delivery station system has produced results none the less gratifying because predicted. The number of stations has increased from 24 to 30; the circulation through them from 40,302 volumes to 111,469 volumes, or from less than 10 per cent to more than 20 per cent of the entire home issue. The detailed statement of the monthly issue from each station is given below:—

DELIVERY STATION ISSUE.

Station No.	May.	June	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Total.
1	214	25	17	130	112	210	407	589	523	473	546	488	3,734
2	223	335	319	287	241	332	487	482	429	488	542	484	4,649
3	102	120	135	149	106	132	181	275	271	285	361	372	2,489
4	220	217	234	184	139	187	273	296	217	271	327	265	2,830
5	495	488	459	467	333	392	522	596	489	497	551	470	5,759
6	376	362	292	228	265	297	402	517	537	570	589	592	5,027
7	44	40	34	51	31	45	299	879	754	875	990	814	4,856
8	250	223	220	211	225	213	250	298	380	434	550	527	3,781
9	332		22	59	92	119	115	111	123	130	119	103	1,325
10	369	40	108	177	185	282	401	372	389	385	444	466	3,618
11	26	6			...	326	323	396	358	373	377	434	2,619
12	116	107	103	96	76	78	125	167	177	175	163	202	1,585
13	51	49	35	32	48	169	179	200	200	226	244	235	1,668
14	129	102	82	85	61		50	323	545	631	818	834	3,660
15	85	70	41	46	39	59	184	343	240	310	317	256	1,990
16	328	245	278	239	243	284	316	385	495	513	628	558	4,512
17	285	281	309	381	351	432	393	412	478	455	537	409	4,723
18	166	195	235	242	221	246	324	371	387	339	472	405	3,603
19	251	3	47	19		123	274	410	438	461	573	417	3,016
20	517	639	692	676	616	606	847	902	872	861	1,016	811	9,055
21	225	218	224	198	177	173	217	288	366	378	426	445	3,335
22	890	849	968	221	487	568	826	914	911	920	1,145	935	9,634
23	71	26	32	31	36	39	93	155	141	121	269	522	1,536
24	19	22	26	49	24	21	17	7					185
25		75	222	290	398	470	464	545	581	626	848	964	5,483
26				3	20	47	60	77	100	131	138	140	716
27								89	193	212	250	322	1,066
28								225	209	200	177	231	1,042
29								33	175	275	418	439	1,340
30										129	423	528	1,080
Total	5,784	4,737	5,134	4,551	4,526	5,850	8,029	10,657	10,978	11,744	14,258	13,668	99,916
Sunday schools and social settlements													11,553
Total													111,469

No record can be kept of visitors to the Newspaper Reading Room on the second floor. The elevator registers show that 612,760 persons visited the sixth and seventh floors during the year, an average of nearly 51,064 a month.

The Library was open every day in the year. The figures for Sunday and holiday issue, maximum, minimum and daily averages, will be found in the following summaries; also the issue on each of the five national holidays. Local and occasional holidays are not included, as they differ but little from ordinary days. The total holiday issue increased from 5,679 n the previous year to 11,281, and the average from 1,136 to 1,410.

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SUMMARIES.

	1895-6.	1896-7.
Home issue, regular library	457,559	537,583
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	15,159	13,476
Total home issue	472,718	551,059
		472,718
Gain in home issue		78,341
Library issue	46,082	51,240
		46,082
Gain in Library issue		5,158
Total issue of all books	518,800	602,299
Reading-room issue	170,142	184,729
Total issue in all departments	688,942	787,028
		688,942
Gain in 1896-7		98,086

Largest week day issue, Saturday, March 6, 1897.		Smallest week day issue, May 28, 1896; day after tornado.	
Home issue	3,466	Home issue	709
Library issue	144	Library issue	77
Reading-room issue	963	Reading-room issue	103
Total	4,573	Total	889
Largest Sunday issue, February 21, 1897.		Smallest Sunday issue, June 10, 1896.	
Library issue	75	Library issue	26
Reading-room issue	437	Reading-room issue	103
Total	512	Total	129
Total Sunday issue.		Average Sunday issue.	
Library issue	2,963	Library issue	58
Reading-room issue	13,025	Reading-room issue	548
Total	15,988	Total	606
Average daily issue.		Average week day issue.	
Home issue	1,772	Home issue	1,772
Library issue	140	Library issue	154
Reading-room issue	507	Reading-room issue	548
Total	2,419	Total	2,474

HOLIDAY ISSUE.

	Home.	Library.	R.-Room.	Total.
Decoration Day	1,214	142	384	1,740
July Fourth	129	26	168	323
Labor Day	1,375	107	460	1,942
Election Day	1,046	191	565	1,802
Thanksgiving	542	78	301	921
Christmas	33	40	171	244
New Year	291	112	356	759
Washington's Birthday	2,521	191	838	3,550
Total	7,151	887	3,243	11,281
Average	894	111	405	1,410

MISCELLANEOUS WORK OF ISSUE AND REGISTRATION DEPARTMENTS.

In my last two annual reports I have tried to explain the methods and processes by which the administration of the Library in its various departments is carried on and to make clear to the uninitiated that handing two or three thousand books over the counter and receiving the same number each day is not all there is in the work of a large library. Small things are sometimes more significant than great ones. The large labors of the issue and registration departments may be judged from a few minor items that would ordinarily escape attention. The records show that during the year the addresses of 3,571 persons had to be changed; 13,270 new issue cards were made out to replace cards that had been filled; 10,660 notices were sent for books overdue; 18,148 new book cards were written to replace those filled; 1,728 notices were sent to persons who left their cards on the counter or dropped them on the floor. After sending two notices by mail it was necessary to send a messenger for 589 books. Of these the messenger brought back 112: 373 were shortly returned by the cardholders: 104 had not been returned when the record for the year was closed: the return of 51 of these was promised: 53 were entered as in all probability lost. Of these last, 2 were issued for use in the reading-room. A majority of them were drawn by children on the guaranty of their fathers, who cannot be found. In the other cases both principal and guarantor cannot be traced and have presumably left the city.

Notices to the number of 85 were sent to houses having contagious diseases directing the family to turn over library books to the Health Commissioner for fumigation or destruction. In such cases no fine is charged for detention or loss of books.

The tornado that swept across the city May 27, 1896, caused a loss of 19 books and the practical destruction of 147 others.

After sending three notices (one by messenger) to persons failing to return books overdue and after further notifying the guarantor, at the end of thirty days the case is turned over to the City Attorney. During the year 7 such cases were reported. Of these, 5 were settled without trial by return of the book or payment of its value together with fines and costs: in one case judgment was given for the Library, and in the remaining instance the case was continued and was not settled at the close of the library year.

The home issue was upwards of 551,000 volumes. Of these 51 volumes were not returned and are counted as lost. This makes the percentage of loss on the books given out for reading at home less than $^1/_{100}$ of one per cent.

PROGRESS AND IMPROVEMENT.

The general growth and progress of the institution is best shown by a gain of 78,341 in the home issue, and of 98,086 in the total issue for the year. A large contributing factor in this increased use of the Library was the extension of the delivery station system.

The only new enterprise undertaken was the publication of the St. Louis Public Library Magazine. This is a continuation, but on a much larger scale and with a higher standard, of the Bulletin. Its purpose is the same; viz., to serve as a medium of communication between the Library and the public, to furnish readers with lists of the books added to the collection from month to

month, and to publish the class lists of the books in the Library and lists of books on topics of current interest. The first number appeared in the last month of the year for which this report is made. It is, therefore, too soon to estimate what measure of appreciation it will meet with. Impartial judges pronounced it the handsomest organ ever issued by a public library.

There have been few changes in the staff. It now includes only two assistant cataloguers instead of three as before, the appointment of Miss Mabel Marvin and the promotion of Miss Fichtenkam having filled two out of the three vacancies created by the resignations of Misses Chase and Gibson (as noted in the last report) and that of Miss McCreary which took effect December 1st, 1896. Geo. Krag, a messenger left in September to return to school; his place was filled by Edward Kempfer. One of the apprentices, Miss Dawson, also left to return to school. To supply the deficiencies thus created and to provide for the constant growth of the work, Lester Bernd and Misses Clara Dean, Jessie Gilmore and Lenore Kiedus were appointed apprentices and Arthur Widdicombe, Edward Phillipi and James Hackett, messengers. In each case the appointment was made on results of a written examination designed to test the applicant's intelligence, education and general information. The staff numbers three more persons than it did at the close of the previous year, the increase being in the grades of apprentices and messengers. The rapid growth of the delivery station work made the service of another person necessary; and Russell Steel received the well-deserved promotion to the position of assistant in that department.

I can only repeat, and I take pleasure in doing so, my hearty commendation of the work of the staff, which has been characterized by intelligence, zeal and a belief in the high mission of the Library.

SHALL ST. LOUIS CONTINUE IN THE REAR?

The magnificent new building of the Boston Public Library completed two years ago called forth universal admiration. For months it furnished the daily press and the illustrated periodicals throughout the Union with a theme for glorification; and it has now passed into common knowledge and taken its place among the monuments of civilization that reflect honor on the whole country and especially on the city that had the liberality and the wisdom to erect it.

The Chicago Public Library will soon take possession of a building which its citizens claim to be even superior to the Boston edifice. Both of these buildings occupy suitable and commanding sites. They are built for the future as well as the present. They symbolize now and will represent to later generations the highest ideal *realized* by mankind in the nineteenth century. They make proclamation that spiritual treasures,— the joys of knowledge, the delights of the imagination, the uplifting of the soul through contact with noble thoughts — are freely accessible to all the inhabitants of those cities, to the poor as well as to the rich. Within their walls are gathered the records and results of all human effort through all the ages; from out their doors come the mightiest influences known to men, the power of heroic example made vivid and luminous by the pen of genius,— the power of thought, "the true thaumaturgic virtue by which man works all things whatsoever."

The metropolis of the country has just waked up to its duty in this matter and has appropriated two and a half million dollars for the erection of a public

library building in a block of ground 482 feet long by 455 feet wide. But it is not only the great cities of the Union but also cities much inferior in wealth and population that are thus outstripping St. Louis. Milwaukee has just completed a beautiful structure costing about half a million dollars: Minneapolis has had a fine building for some eight years past: Indianapolis dedicated its new library four years ago: Newark is about to put up a new building for its public library: Detroit has a large library well located: Cleveland has several pretty branch library buildings and is about to provide a suitable home for its central library; our little neighbors Peoria and East St. Louis have fine new buildings; while hundreds of small towns might be mentioned that have tasteful and substantial buildings entirely adequate to the wants of their respective communities.

Our library cannot do the work it ought to do for the city until it has larger and more convenient quarters; and it cannot be considered safe from fire until it is housed in a building devoted exclusively to library purposes and isolated from all other buildings. Will St. Louis, in this important feature of civic life, be content to remain in the rear? Will our citizens allow this institution, which can be made the most potent factor of popular education and therefore of municipal progress, to be cramped for want of room and crippled for want of facilities to do its work? The answer I trust will be a decided affirmative vote at the next submission of the question of erecting a library building.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius personally known to me, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1897, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 2nd day of October, 1897.

(Seal.) ALFRED C. F. MEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires January 15, 1899.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 15th day October, 1897.

(Seal.) JOHN E. LOVE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis.

My term expires June 19th, 1899.

APPENDIX NO. 1.

LIST OF THE MOST POPULAR BOOKS.

BOOKS OF LARGEST CIRCULATION.

St. Nicholas	3264	Jo's boys	1767
Little women	2346	Under the lilacs	1727
Tom Sawyer	2092	Eight cousins	1622
Count of Monte Cristo	2034	Jack and Jill	1600
Little men	1785	Les miserables	1507

NOVELS OF LARGEST CIRCULATION.

Count of Monte Cristo	2034	Inez	1016
Les miserables	1507	Vashti	1008
Mr. Isaacs	1424	Darkness and daylight	1000
He fell in love with his wife	1337	Colonel's daughter	997
Wandering Jew	1300	Barriers burned away	990
Three musketeers	1277	St. Elmo	988
Uncle Tom's cabin	1270	Macaria	985
Madeline (Holmes)	1261	At the mercy of Tiberius	979
Marguerite (Holmes)	1261	Gretchen	975
Roman singer	1219	Prince of India	959
David Copperfield	1200	Woman in white	954
Lorna Doone	1161	Cousin Maude	937
Beulah	1158	Saracinesca	905
Mildred (Holmes)	1123	Cameron pride	904
Bow of orange ribbon	1029		

NOVELS ISSUED 900 TIMES AND OVER.

Barr	Bow of orange ribbon	1029	Holmes	Mildred	1123
Blackmore	Lorna Doone	1161	Hugo	Les miserables	1507
Collins	Woman in white	954	King	Colonel's daughter	997
Crawford	Mr. Isaacs	1424	Roe	Barriers burned away	990
	Roman singer	1219		He fell in love with his wife	1337
	Saracinesca	905	Stowe	Uncle Tom's cabin	1270
Dickens	David Copperfield	1200	Sue	Wandering Jew	1300
Dumas	Count of Monte Cristo	2034	Wallace	Prince of India	959
	Three musketeers	1277	Wilson	At the mercy of Tiberius	979
Holmes	Cameron pride	904		Beulah	1158
	Cousin Maude	937		Inez	1016
	Darkness and daylight	1000		Macaria	985
	Gretchen	975		St. Elmo	988
	Madeline	1261		Vashti	1008
	Marguerite	1261			

BETWEEN 600 AND 800 TIMES.

Bulwer	Last days of Pompeii	694	Holmes	Queenie Hetherton	617
Burnham	Next door	639		Rose Mather	754
	No gentleman	619		Tempest and sunshine	604
Collins	Moonstone	723		West Lawn	807
Crawford	Don Orsino	600	Marlitt	Old Mam'selle's secret	655
	Katherine Lauderdale	645		Owl's nest	735
Doyle	White company	686		Second wife	678
Dumas	Vicomte de Bragelonne	718	Porter	Scottish chiefs	677
DuMaurier	Trilby	823	Roe	Opening of a chestnut burr	768
Eliot	Daniel Deronda	697		What can she do?	648
Holmes	Bessie's fortune	830	Thackeray	Henry Esmond	725
	Daisy Thornton	840		Virginians	629
	English orphans	655		Vanity fair	677
	Forrest House	612	Wallace	Ben Hur	734
	Homestead on the hillside	729		Fair God	626
	Marion Gray	716	Weyman	Gentleman of France	652
	Meadow Brook	776	Wilson	Infelice	899

BETWEEN 500 AND 600 TIMES.

Black	Princess of Thule	536	Holmes	Hugh Worthington	516
Bronte	Jane Eyre	519		Milbank	592
Bulwer	My novel	517	Jackson	Ramona	504
Collins	No name	521	King	Deserter	572
Crawford	Sant Ilario	581		Marion's faith	572
Dickens	Old Curiosity Shop	599	Lever	Charles O'Malley	551
Doyle	Refugees	549	Lyall	Knight errant	503
Duchess	Doris	504		We two	541
Eliot	Adam Bede	540	Marlitt	Little Moorland princess	543
Hawthorne	Scarlet letter	527	Mulock	John Halifax, gentleman	580
Holmes	Chateau d'Or	551	Roe	From jest to earnest	575
	Dora Deane	569		Young girl's wooing	539
	Edith Lyle	536	Yonge	Dove in the eagle's nest	586

BETWEEN 400 AND 500 TIMES.

Bulwer	Rienzi	404
	What will he do with it?	455
	Zanoni	402
Burnham	Miss Bagg's secretary	441
Caine	Deemster	462
Carey	Not like other girls	423
	Only the governess	498
Clemens	Conn. Yankee in King Arthur's court	451
Collins	Man and wife	423
Cooper	Pathfinder	426
	Spy	402
Corelli	Vendetta	444
Crawford	Dr. Claudius	478
	Ralstons	421
Dickens	Tale of two cities	479
Doyle	Adventures of Sherlock Holmes	451
	Micah Clarke	478
Duchess	Airy, fairy Lillian	466
Ebers	Egyptian princess	405
	Uarda	475
Hardy	Tess	490
Holmes, M. J.	Dr. Hathern's daughters	401
Holmes, O. W.	Elsie Venner	496
Howard	One summer	463
Juncker	Margarethe	443
King	Captain Blake	486
Kingsley	Hypatia	430
Lover	Handy Andy	495
Lyall	Donovan	400
	Won by waiting	406
Marlit	Countess Gisela	492
Porter	Scottish chiefs	441
Roe	Earth trembled	420
	Face illuminated	405
	Knight of the XIX century	455
	Miss Lou	492
	Original belle	468
	Without a home	458
Sue	Mysteries of Paris	405
Thackeray	Pendennis	429
Werner	St. Michael	432
Woolson	East angels	402
Yonge	Heir of Redclyffe	462

BETWEEN 300 AND 400 TIMES.

Barrie	Little minister	391
Bronte	Shirley	397
Brush	Colonel's opera cloak	327
Burnham	Mistress of Beech Knoll	326
	Sane lunatic	314
	Young maids and old	382
Caine	Bondman	306
Carey	Averil	346
	Barbara Heathcote's trial	304
	Queenie's whim	394
	Uncle Max	312
Cooper	Deerslayer	349
Corelli	Ardath	361
	Barabbas	366
	Romance of two worlds	380
	Thelma	344
Crawford	Casa Braccio	386
Davis	Gallagher	358
Dickens	Bleak House	343
	Dombey and son	392
Doyle	Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes	357
	Doings of Raffles Haw	302
Duchess	Beauty's daughters	347
	Faith and unfaith	318
	Phyllis	393
	Rossmoyne	310
Dumas	Queen's necklace	329
	Twenty years after	359
	Two Dianas	335
Eliot	Romola	322
Fothergill	First violin	346
Grand	Heavenly twins	380
Haggard	King Solomon's mines	338
Harris	Rutledge	338
Holmes	Lena Rivers	376
Hughes	Tom Brown at Oxford	312
Hugo	Notre Dame	335
King	Kitty's conquest	333
	Waring's peril	301
	War-time wooing	345
Lyall	In the golden days	357
Manteuffel	Violetta	382
Marlitt	At the Councillor's	379
	Lady with the rubies	398
Marryat	Mr. Midshipman Easy	351
Reade	Put yourself in his place	348
Roche	Children of the abbey	377
Roe	Day of fate	350
	Near to Nature's heart	358
Scott	Guy Mannering	360
Stevenson	Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde	393
	New Arabian nights	334
Streckfuss	Castle Hohenwald	350
Thackeray	Newcomes	394
Ward	Marcella	344
	Robert Elsemere	347
Weyman	Francis Cludde	338
	Under the red robe	312

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Barr	Between two loves	289
	Border shepherdess	262
	Friend Olivia	263
Bellamy	Looking backward	215
Besant	All sorts and conditions of men	270
	Armorel of Lyonesse	231
Black	Daughter of Heth	221
	Madcap Violet	254
Braddon	Aurora Floyd	213
	Lady Audley's secret	247
Bronte	Professor	217
	Villette	211
Bulwer	Alice	231
	Night and morning	212
Burnett	That lass o' Lowries	248
	Through one administration	205
Burnham	Dearly bought	274
	Wise woman	223
Caine	Manxman	289
Carey	Aunt Diana	240
	Heriot's choice	279
	Nellie's memories	291
Carey	Robert Ord's atonement	201
	Wee wifie	211
	Wooed and married	253
Clemens	American claimant	221
	Pudd'n head Wilson	288
Collins	Armadale	233
	Dead secret	264
Cooper	Last of the Mohicans	231
	Pilot	260
Crawford	Adam Johnstone's son	261
	Cigarette - maker's romance	261
	Greifenstein	219
	Marzios Crucifix	271
	Three fates	243
	To leeward	244
Curtis	Prue and I	224
Dickens	Little Dorrit	222
	Nicholas Nick'eby	284
Douglass	Claudia	260
	From hand to mouth	219
	Out of the wreck	279
	Sydney Adriance	282
Doyle	Great shadow	277

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Duchess	Lady Valworth's diamonds	276
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	Molly Bawn	272
	Portia	282
Dumas	Forty-five guardsmen	282
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Eggleston	Hoosier school-master	283
	Roxy	223
Eliot	Felix Holt	201
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	Mill on the Floss	288
Fargus	Called back	210
Goldsmith	Vicar of Wakefield	227
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Habberton	Helen's babies	272
Haggard	Dawn	241
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Harrison	Bachelor maid	249
Hawthorne	House of seven gables	229
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Black	In silk attire	186
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	Yolande	167
Blackmore	Perlycross	170
Bronte	Wuthering Heights	154
Bulwer	Coming race	191
	Ernest Maltravers	195
	Eugene Aram	161
	Harold	198
	Leila	131
	Caxtons	192
Burnett	Louisiana	133
Caine	Scapegoat	118
Cambridge	Marriage ceremony	180
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	Antonia	186
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Deland	John Ward	126
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American Assoc. for Advancement of Science		2
American Conference of International Arbitration	1	
American Federation of Labor		11
American Forestry Association		1
American Institute of Homœopathy	1	
American Society for Extension of University Teaching	1	19
American Society of Mechanical Engineers		3
American Type Founders Co	1	
Amherst College. Amherst, *Mass.*		1
Andover Theological Seminary. Andover, *Mass*		1
Anonymous	32	8
Arkansas. Bureau of Mines	1	
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		1
Armour Institute of Technology. Chicago, *Ill.*		2
Armstrong, *Dr.* N. Y. City	1	
Atlanta, *Ga.* Board of Education		1
Australasian Library Conference. Melbourne		1
Baier, J. St. Louis		8
Balch, T. W. Phil.	1	
Baltimore. Mayor	1	
Baltimore Sun	1	
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library		1
Bartholdt, *Hon.* R. St. Louis	1	
Bates, *Rev.* W. H. Webster Groves, *Mo*	1	
Baulch, J. J. St. Louis		1
Belleville, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Benesch, A. B. St. Louis	4	
Benjamin, A. M. St. Louis		4
Berlin, *Ger.* Bureau of Statistics		1
Bettis, J. R. St. Louis	1	
Beverly, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Bigelow Free Public Library Clinton, *Mass*		1
Birmingham, Eng. Free Libraries Com		2
—— School Board	1	
Blair, J. L. St. Louis		1
Boston, *Mass.* Board of Comm'rs of Parks		6
—— Board of Supervisors		7
—— Bunker Hill Monument Assoc	2	1
—— City Auditor	1	
—— Health Dept.	1	
—— Home for Aged Men		1
—— Museum of Fine Arts		7
—— Overseers of the Poor		1
—— Provident Assoc		1
—— Public Library		18
Boston, *Mass.* Record Commissioners	1	1
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Brooklyn, *N. Y.* Brooklyn Library		1
—— Park Comm'rs	1	
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		2
—— Eagle		1
Brown, I. H	1	
Brown University. Providence, *R. I*		1
Bryn Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, *Pa*		26
Buffalo, *N. Y.* Charity Organization Soc		2
—— Common Council		1
—— Buffalo Library		2
Burton, G. M. Detroit		1
Butte City, *Mont.* Public Library		1
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—— State Board of Pharmacy		1
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—— State Controller	1	
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—— Dept. of Agriculture	1	
—— Geological Survey	1	6
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—— Supt. of Police		1
—— University of Chicago	2	
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Clerkenwell Public Library. London		1
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—— Public Library		2
—— Chamber of Commerce	4	
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Colonial Clubs. Chicago		1
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—— Inspector of Coal Mines		1
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—— State Insurance Dept	7	
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—— Treasurer	2	1
Connecticut. Bank Comm'rs	1	
—— Board of Agriculture	8	
—— Board of Education		1
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	...
—— Railroad Comm'rs	3	
—— State Board of Charities		5
—— State Board of Health	10	
—— State Library	27	1
—— Historical Soc		1
Conner, P. S. P. Phil	1	
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—— University		5
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—— Horticultural Soc	1	
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Parsons, J. R. Chicago	1	
Paterson, *N. J.* Free Public Library		5
Pawtucket, *R. I.* Free Public Library		1
Peabody Institute. Baltimore		1
Peabody Institute. Peabody, *Mass*		1
Pennsylvania. Bureau of Industrial Statistics	1	
—— Com. of Soldiers' Orphans' Schools	1	
—— Sec. of Internal Affairs	4	
—— State Board of Agriculture	2	
—— State College	2	
—— State Library	23	3
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	1
—— University of Penn		2
—— Penn. College of Dental Surgery		1
—— Sound Money League of Pennsylvania		58
Pentland, Y. J. London		1
Peoria, Ill. Public Library		2
Perkins Institution for the Blind. Boston		1
Philadelphia, Pa. Academy of Natural Sciences		1
—— Apprentices Library Co		1
—— Board of Public Education	12	8
—— Bureau of Charities	1	
—— Bureau of Nationalist Literature		9
—— College of Pharmacy		1
—— Free Library		1
—— Indian Rights Assoc		9
—— Library Company		1
—— Mercantile Library		6
—— St. Mary's St. College Settlement		4
—— Yearly Meeting of Friends		3
Phillips, W. J. Springfield, *Mo*		2
Pittsburg, *Pa.* Board of Education		1
Pittsburg, *Pa.* Pittsburg Assoc. for Improvement of the Poor		10
Plymouth, *Eng.* Free Public Library		1
Polytechnic Society. Kentucky		3
Portland, *Oreg.* Library Association	...	5
Portsmouth, *Eng.* Public Libraries		1
Poughkeepsie, *N. Y.* City Library		1
Preetorius, E. L. St. Louis		3
Present Problems Publishing Co., N. Y		15
Preston, S. H. London	1	
Princeton College. Princeton, *N. J*	1	1
Protective Order of American Farmers and Producers		1
Providence Athenaeum, *R. I*		5
Pratt Institute Free Library. Brooklyn, *N. Y*		4
Quincy, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Redwood Library. Newport, *R I.*		1
Reynolds Library. Rochester, *N. Y*		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Rhode Island. Bureau of Industrial Statistics	6	...
Rhode Island. Railroad Commissioners	2	
Richter, *Mrs.* F. St. Louis		1
Ross, E. A. Stanford Univ., *Cal.*		1
Roy, S. B. Calcutta, *India.*		2
St. Ignatius College. San Francisco, *Cal*		1
St. John Free Public Library. New Brunswick, *Can*		1
St. Joseph, *Mo.* Free Public Library		2
St. Louis, *Mo.* City Auditor	2	
— City Lighting Dept		2
— City Register	1	
— Health Dept.	3	17
— Park Comm'rs	1	
— Public Schools	3	2
— Sewer Com'r		1
— Academy of Science		6
— Aged and Infirm Israelites		1
— Froebel Society	8	
— Liberty Non-Sectarian Mission		9
— Mercantile Library		1
— Merchant's Exchange	1	
— New England Soc		1
— St. Louis Children's Hospital		2
— St. Louis Commercial Club	12	13
— St. Louis Courier of Medicine	1	..
— St. Louis Post Dispatch	21	77
— St. Louis Provident Assoc.		1
— St. Louis Socialist Labor Party		2
— St. Louis Society of Pedagogy		1
— St. Louis Spanish Club		1
— St. Louis Training School for Nurses		1
— St. Louis University		29
— St. Louis University Club		1
— St. Louis Wednesday Club		1
St. Paul, *Minn.* Public Library		1
Salem, *Mass.* Public Library		14
Salvisberg, *Dr.* P. von. Munich.		1
San Francisco, *Cal.* Board of Supervisors	1	
— Free Public Library	23	17
— Mechanics' Institute		1
— Mercantile Library Assoc		1
Schuyler, Wm. St. Louis		1
Scranton, *Pa.* Public Library		4
Scribner's Sons. N. Y.		3
Seattle, *Wash.* Seattle Library Commission		2
Sioux City, *Ia.* Public Library		1
Smith, H. W. St. Louis		5
Smith College. Northampton, *Mass*		12
Smithsonian Institution. Washington, *D. C*	7	32
Society for Study of Child-Nature. N. Y.		1
Somerville, *Mass.* Public Library		2
Southern Carolina. Adjutant and Inspector General		1
South Carolina. Agricultural Experiment Station		1
— Comptroller General		1
— Military Academy		1
— South Carolina College		1
South Dakota. Schools and Public Lands	2	1
— Sec. of State		3
— Treasurer	1	1
Springfield, *Mass.* City Library Assoc		14
Springfield, *O.* Public Library		1
Standard Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Stechert, G. E. N. Y	2	
Stevens, B. F. London		3
Stone, *Mrs.* C. H. St. Louis		4
Sydney, *Aus.* Minister of Public Instruction		1
Syracuse, *N. Y.* Syracuse Central Library		1
Taunton, *Mass* Public Library.		1
Taussig, *Mrs.* B. St. Louis		12
Taussig, W. St. Louis		2
Tennessee. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Mines		4
Texas. Agricultural and Mechanical College		1
— Comptroller of Accounts	2	8
— Sec. of State	1	
Thomas, W. L. St. Louis	1	
Thompson, A. M. London		1
Thompson (N. D.) Publishing Co., St. Louis	2	
Tiffany, J. St. Louis		2
Tokyo Library. Japan.		2
Toronto, *Can.* Public Library.		1
Trenton, *N. J.* Public Instruction		1
Trinity College. Hartford, *Conn.*		1
Tulane University of Louisiana. New Orleans		2
U. S. Civil Service Commission		3
— Commission of Fish and Fisheries	4	1
— Commissioner of Railroads	3	1
— Dept. of Agriculture	3	216
— Dept. of Education	12	184
— Dept. of Interior	14	87
— Dept. of Justice	1	
— Dept. of Labor	23	10
— Dept. of State	10	21
— District of Columbia	1	
— Division of Publications		12
— Interstate Commerce Commission	1	4
— Life Saving Service	1	
— Military Academy		1
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— Post Office Dept.	3	13
— Senate		2
— Supt. of Documents	111	159
— Treasury Dept.	19	79
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Uruguay. Bur. d'Echanges Internationaux de Publications		1
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Utah. Bureau of Statistics		1
Vermont. Agricultural Experiment Station		10
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— Soldiers' Home		3
— State Board of Agriculture.	1	...
— State Library	14	19
Virginia University		1
Wagner, *Miss* S. St Louis.		3
Waltham, *Mass.* Public Library.	...	8
Walker, A. H. Hartford, *Conn.*	1	
Warren County Library. Monmouth, *Ill*		3
Washington, *D. C.* City Free Library		1
Washington. (*State.*) Bur. of Statistics		2
Washington and Lee University.		1
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Weeks, J. D. Pittsburg, *Pa.*		8
Wellesley College. Wellesley, *Mass*		1
Wells Memorial Institute. Boston, *Mass*		6

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Wesleyan University. Middleton, *Conn*		3
West Virginia. Comm'rs of Labor	1	
Westliche Post. St. Louis		60
Wheless, J. St. Louis		1
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Wigan Public Library. Wigan, *Eng*		1
Wilcox, *Mrs.* H. T., M. D. St. Louis	20	46
Wilmington Institute. Wilmington, *Del.*		2
Wilson, G. Lexington, *Mo*	1	
Winchell Academy. Evanston, *Ill.*		1
Wisconsin. Comm'rs of Fisheries		1
—— Dairy and Food Comm'r		1
—— Governor	3	
—— Labor, Census and Industrial Statistics	2	
Wisconsin. Railroad Comm'rs	1	
—— Sec. of State	1	
—— State Agricultural Soc		1
—— State Board of Health	1	
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—— University		3
Woburn *Mass.* Public Library		1
Wolff, *Mrs.* M. A		1
Woods, H. F. St. Louis		2
Worcester, *Mass.* Free Public Library	1	15
Wyman, W. Washington, *D. C*		2
Wyoming. State Auditor		1
Yale University. New Haven, *Conn*		4
Young Men's Christian Assoc. Missouri		9
—— New York		1
—— North America		2
—— St. Louis		1

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Ft. Wayne, *Ind.* Ft. Wayne Medical Magazine Monthly
Paris, *France.* Clinique Opthalmologique Monthly
St. Louis. Clinque Monthly
St. Louis. Medical Brief Monthly
—— Medical Fortnightly Semi-Mo.
—— Medical Mirror Monthly
—— Meyer Brothers Druggist Monthly

NEWSPAPERS.

Algiers, *La.* Algiers Herald Weekly
Chicago, *Ill.* Evening Lamp Weekly
—— Nederlander Weekly
Cincinnati, *O.* Light of Truth Weekly
Cleveland, *O.* Cleveland Citizen Weekly
East St. Louis, *Ill.* Daily Democrat Daily
—— East St. Louis Gazette Daily
—— East St. Louis Journal Daily
Ft. Madison, *Ia.* Ft. Madison Democrat Weekly
Grand Junction, *Col.* Daily Sentinel Daily
Kansas City, *Mo.* Kansas City Times Semi Weekly
Lebanon, *Ill.* Lebanon Journal Weekly
Melbourne, *Aus.* Australasian Weekly
Milwaukee, *Wis* Kuryer Polski Daily
Minneapolis, *Minn.* National Single Taxer Weekly
New Orleans, *La.* N. O. Daily City Item Daily
New York *City.* Dolgeville Herald Weekly
St. Louis, *Mo.* Amerika Daily
—— Anzeiger des Westens Daily
—— Church Progress and Catholic World Weekly
—— Coleman's Rural World Weekly
—— Dos Naciones Weekly
—— St. Louis Globe-Democrat Daily
—— Jewish Voice Weekly
—— St. Louis Chronicle Daily
—— St. Louis Labor Weekly
—— St. Louis Post-Dispatch Daily
—— St. Louis Republic Daily
—— St. Louis Star Savings Daily
—— St. Louis Tageblatt Daily
—— St. Louis Tribune Daily
—— St. Louis Westliche Post Daily
—— Western Watchman Weekly
Superior, *Wis* Superior Leader Daily
Sydney, *Aus* Sydney Morning Herald Daily

NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS DONATED.

GENERAL PERIODICALS.

Albion, *N. Y.* Museum Monthly
Anaconda, *Mon.* Anaconda Assayer Weekly
Anaheim, *Cal.* Osteopath Monthly
Baltimore, *Md.* Tablet Monthly
Battle Creek, *Mich.* Advent Review & Herald Weekly
—— Youth's Instructor Weekly
Battles, *Ala.* Farmers Courier Monthly
Berkeley, *Cal.* Western National Weekly
Berne, *Ger* Hochstein. Naturfreien Monthly
Boston, *Mass* Advocate of Peace Monthly
—— Christian Register Weekly
—— Christian Science Journal Monthly
—— Employer and Employed Quarterly
—— L. A. W. Bulletin & Good Roads Weekly
—— New Church Review Quarterly
Buffalo, *N. Y.* American Investments Monthly
—— Municipality & County Monthly
Cambridge, *Mass.* Reader Semi-Monthly
Charlottesville, *Va.* Alumni Bulletin of University of Virginia Monthly
Chicago, *Ill.* Advertising Experience Weekly
—— American Fruit Growers' Union Weekly
—— American Jewess Monthly
—— American Soap Journal Monthly
—— Bearings Weekly
—— Chicago Commons Monthly
—— Chicago Household Guest Monthly
—— Chicago Upholstery Journal Monthly
—— Chicago Vegetarian Monthly
—— Christian Endeavorer Monthly
—— Ecce Weekly
—— Everybody's Journal Monthly
—— Office Men's Record Quarterly
—— Phrenological News Monthly
—— Planets and People Monthly
—— Public Opinion Monthly
—— Railway Review Weekly
—— Referee Weekly

Chicago, *Ill.* Sportsmen's Review..Weekly
— Stationary Engineer.....Monthly
— Stationer and Printer....Semi-Monthly
— Teacher and Student.....Monthly
— Timberman.. Monthly
— Union Signal.....Weekly
Cincinnati, *O.* Common Cause.....Weekly
— Furniture Worker Weekly
Columbia, *Mo.* Missouri State Agric. Bulletin.....Irregular
Columbus, *O.* Occult Science....Quarterly
Concord, *N. H.* Journal of Speculative Philosophy.. Irregular
Dallas, *Tex.* Texas Farm and Ranch.....Weekly
Denver, *Col.* Mining Industry.....Weekly
— Ores and Metals Monthly
— Silver Trumpet Monthly
Des Moines, *Ia.* Equity Semi-Monthly
Detroit, *Mich.* Pernin's Stenographer Monthly
Eddy, N. M. Pecos Valley Argus...Weekly
Edwardsville, *Ill.* Leclaire News..Monthly
Elgin, *Ill.* Our Republic..... Monthly
Fresno, *Cal.* Interior Monthly
Hartford, *Conn.* Hartford Seminary Record.....Bi-Monthly
— Locomotive.....Monthly
— Traveler's Record Monthly
Honolulu. Paradise of the Pacific.Monthly
Hudson, *Mass.* Woman's Home Journal.....Monthly
Ithaca, *N. Y.* Cornell University Agricultural Experiment Station Bulletin.....Irregular
Kansas City, *Mo.* Grocer's Journal of Commerce.. Semi-Monthly
Knoxville, *Tenn.* Tennessee University Magazine.....Monthly
Lamoni, *Ia.* Autumn leaves Monthly
Lewiston, *Idaho.* Lewiston Tribune Semi-Weekly
Lincoln, *Neb.* Nebraska Independent.....Weekly
London, *Eng.* Herald of Peace.....Weekly
— Phonetic Journal.....Weekly
— Pioneer of Wisdom.....Monthly
— Positivist Review..... Monthly
Los Angeles, *Cal.* California Cultivator.....Monthly
— Investor.. Weekly
— Land of Sunshine.....Monthly
Madison, *Wis.* Wisconsin Journal of Education.....Monthly
Malden, *Mass.* Pigeon Fancy.Semi-Monthly
Milwaukee, *Wis.* Echo Polskie.....Weekly
— Erziehungs Blätter.....Monthly
Minneapolis, *Minn.* Literary Light.Monthly
Moberly, *Mo.* Silver Statesman....Weekly
Nashville, *Tenn.* Breeder and Horseman.....Weekly
New York (*City*). American Druggist..... Semi-Monthly
— American School Board Journal.....Monthly
— American Sentinel.....Weekly
— American Wheelman. Weekly
— Atlantis Weekly
— Church Union.....Monthly
— Cook's Excursionist.....Monthly
— Delta Kappa Epsilon.... Quarterly
— Great Round World. Weekly
— Life and Health.....Monthly
— Literary News.. Monthly
— National Provisioner.. Weekly
— New Church Messenger.....Weekly
— New Earth..... Monthly
— Painting and Decorating.....Monthly
— Public Spirit.....Monthly
— School.....Weekly
— Shorthand Educator.....Monthly
— Street Railway Journal Monthly
— Student's Journal.....Monthly
— Theosophy.....Monthly
Oakland, *Cal.* Mechanic's Institute Bulletin.....Monthly
— Saturday Press.....Weekly
— Signs of the Times.....Weekly
Paris, *France.* Journal du Droit International Prive.....Monthly
— Propriété Industrielle.....Monthly
— Revue des Livres.....Semi-Mo.
Philadelphia, *Pa.* American.....Weekly
— American Cycling. Weekly
— Book News..... Monthly
— City and State.....Weekly
— Food, Home and Garden Weekly
— Griffin's Journal.....Monthly
— Journal of Zoophily.....Monthly
— New Ideas Monthly
— Praeco Latinus Monthly
Portland, *Ore.* Pacific Northwest..Monthly
— World's Advance Thought.....Monthly
Quebec, *Canada.* Courier du Livre..Monthly
St. Louis, *Mo.* Abendschule.....Weekly
— Age of Steel.....Weekly
— Am. Baptist Flag.....Weekly
— American Law Review..... Bi-Monthly
— Baptist Church Record. Weekly
— Bote der Neuen Kirche.....Weekly
— Building and Trades Journal...Weekly
— Central Baptist Weekly
— Central Law Journal.....Weekly
— Chaperone.....Monthly
— Church News Monthly
— Dyer's News Letter.....Weekly
— Edenic Life Monthly
— Electrical Worker.....Monthly
— Evening Journal.....Daily
— Farm Machinery Weekly
— Great Southwest Monthly
— Hesperian.....Quarterly
— Inland Engineer.....Monthly
— Interstate Grocer Weekly
— Journal of Agriculture.....Weekly
— McKeel's Weekly Weekly
— Pedal.....Weekly
— Philatelic Journal.....Semi-Annual
— Retriever. Weekly
— St. Louis Christian Advocate...Weekly
— St. Louis Critic.. Weekly
— St. Louis Cycle News.....Weekly
— St. Louis Humorist.....Weekly
— St. Louis Lumberman Monthly
— St. Louis Truth Weekly
— St. Louis Wheel..... Weekly
— Schalk. Weekly
— School and Home..... Fortnightly
— Shoe and Leather Gazette.....Weekly
— South Side Reporter.....Weekly
— Spiritual Medium.. Weekly
— Squib..... Weekly
— State's Duty Monthly
— Stoves and Hardware Reporter.Weekly
— Student Life..... Monthly
— Town topics.....Weekly
— War Cry..... Weekly
— Wizard Semi-Monthly
— Mid Continent Weekly
St. Louis County. Suburban Home Journal.. Monthly
Salem, *Mass.* Essex Bulletin ... Irregular
Salem, *Mass.* Essex Inst. Historical Collection.. Irregular
Salmon, *Idaho.* Lemhi Republic....Weekly
Salt Lake City, *Utah.* Our Goat....Monthly
San Francisco, *Cal.* California Architect.....Monthly
— Mining and Scientific Press....Weekly
— Star Weekly
Stuttgart, *Ger.* Antiquitaten-Zeitung.....Weekly
Sykesville, *Md.* Livesey's Sykesville Reformer.....Monthly
Tennessee City, *Tenn.* Coming Nation.. Weekly
Topeka, *Kan.* Western School Journal..... Monthly

Toronto, *Canada*. Canada Educational Monthly.....Monthly
Toronto, *Canada*. Searchlight.....Monthly
Urbana, *O.* University Courant....Monthly
Urbana, *Ill.* Ill. University Agricultural Station Bulletin Irregular
Washington, *D. C.* American Federationist.....Monthly
—— Postal Record.....Monthly
—— U. S. Congressional Records...
—— U. S. Consular Reports.....Monthly
Washington, *D. C.* U. S. Special Consular Reports.....Irregular
—— U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. Insect Life.....Irregular
—— U. S. Patent Office. Official Gazette.....Weekly
—— U. S. Smithsonian Inst. Bulletins.....
Waterbury, *Conn.* Waterbury Magazine.....Monthly
Wilmington, *Del.* Justice.....Weekly



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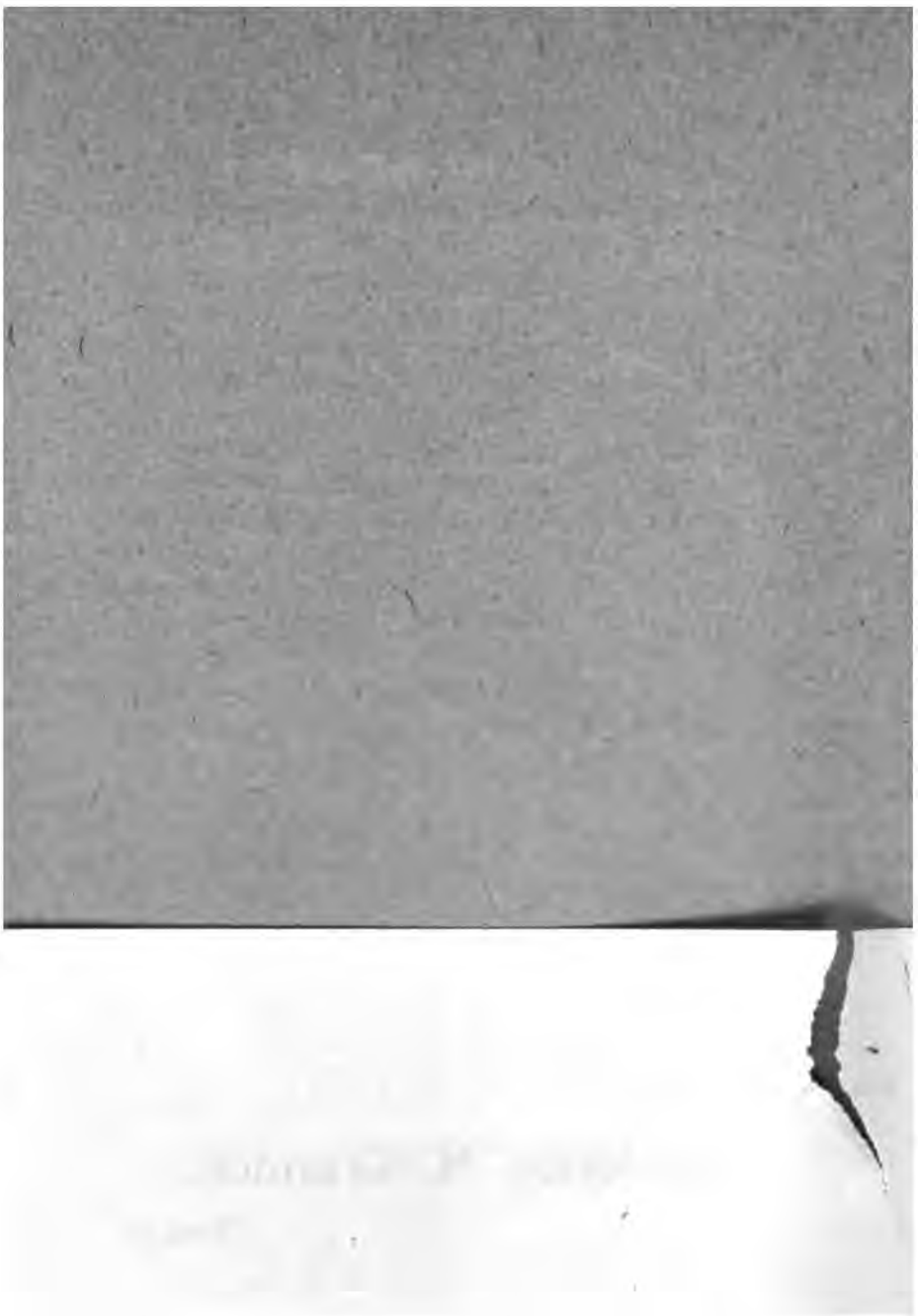
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To Hon. Henry Ziegenhein, Mayor of St. Louis:

SIR—The Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library beg leave to submit to you, as chief magistrate of the city, the following report for the year ending April 30, 1898. A large and valuable portion thereof is the annual official report of our Librarian, to whose energy, intelligence and long experience the present and prospective growth of the Library is so largely due. The accurate and exhaustive details given by him leave practically nothing of real value to be added by us in the way of information. We may, therefore, confine our remarks mainly to such comment and suggestion as the facts he presents seem to demand.

The Free Public Library has now been in existence only a little over four years. In this short period it has more than fulfilled the most sanguine expectations of those who were instrumental in its establishment. From the very outset it demonstrated its right to live and its capacity for indefinite growth. It is no longer an experiment, involving possible failure in a near or remote future. It is an assured success, and this assurance is deepening and strengthening with every passing week. It is pre-eminently a popular institution; an institution "of, for, and by the people;" an institution which, as an agency for the diffusion of popular knowledge and the general education and intellectual development and advancement of the community, has no equal—hardly, so far as its work is concerned, a respectable rival. The only question now is—and it is a most urgent and pressing one—whether this great and constantly enlarging

usefulness shall be checked and crippled for the lack of proper facilities; whether St. Louis, with its population of 600,000, shall be content to be passed and distanced by cities much inferior in size, wealth and commercial enterprise.

The pivotal and vital point of this question, to which all others are of comparatively minor consequence, is the need of a new building; a building not only in every way worthy of a city of which we are all so justly proud, but a building entirely fit and adequate not merely for the immediate wants of a People's Library, nor for its wants ten or twenty years hence, but for a period of indefinite duration; a building which shall be a permanent home, and not simply a temporary camp, so to speak.

Our 130,000 volumes are now lodged in the sixth and seventh stories of a building constructed for purely business purposes. It is crowded now; and the pressure upon the limited space naturally and inevitably becomes greater as a constantly increasing number of books demand admittance. It is difficult of access, deficient in indispensable conveniences, and notoriously unsafe as a depository of the literary and scientific treasures it now contains,—to say nothing of those that must come hereafter.

The Board of Directors, from their first organization, have fully recognized the absolute necessity of a new and suitable building at the earliest possible moment, if the Library is ever to be what it certainly ought to be. They have done, are doing, and will continue to do, their best under most unfavorable conditions; but they realize more and more every day that if the Library, and all that it stands for, are not to suffer serious, if not irreparable, injury, these conditions must be radically changed for the better—and that delay, to say the least, is dangerous. In these few years, by closest economy and constant watchfulness, they have, after paying the fixed charges upon the annual fund for maintenance, saved $123,000. This sum has been invested in desirable real estate with a view to the erection of a new building. The remainder of the money required for the purchase of what is now known as the Library Lot on Olive Street was furnished by a loan, the particulars of which are sufficiently given in the Librarian's Report. The meeting of the interest on this loan and payment of a portion of the principal have necessarily cramped the financial resources of the Board to a very considerable extent; and, in the hope of providing ways and means to relieve them of this burden, the question of levying a small building tax for the limited period of five years was submitted to popular election in April, 1897,

and again in November, 1898. On both occasions it was defeated,—not because a majority of the people were opposed to it, as the returns showed decidedly the contrary,—but because of the needlessly stringent conditions of the state law under which the election was held. Consequently the financial burden remains, with all that it implies in the shape of embarrassment to the Board and restricted usefulness to the Library. It must be lifted; and we have faith to believe that it will be. An institution which already has 45,000 enrolled members, and which circulates nearly a million of books every year among the people "without money and without price," should not and can not be allowed to suffer from a depleted treasury. The Library will not and can not die; but it may and will languish if not liberally supported by the public for which it is working and to which it belongs.

Until the conditions imposed by the state law are materially changed, it will be exceedingly difficult to obtain a verdict at the ballot box in favor of the building tax; and, until such verdict is obtained, the Library will be heavily handicapped by lack of money. Our hands are tied, or so nearly so, as to almost disable them for the great and ever-growing effort imperatively required if the Library is to be kept up to the high standard of the mission it has assumed, and so far worthily filled. Something must be done, and it remains to be seen what St. Louis will do. A noble example has recently been set in the case of Washington University. A few public-spirited gentlemen, who know how to use their wealth, have contributed enough of it to place the University fairly upon its feet and open for it a noble future. Are there not others in our city who will do as much or more for an institution certainly not inferior, and in some respects superior, in usefulness to any University? How can our rich men make better investment of a part of their riches than in this way? How can they buy for themselves a more generous and graceful immortality? How can they win from present and future generations a larger or more enduring gratitude? How can they more surely accomplish what will make posterity "rise up and call them blessed?"

Meanwhile the Library waits.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS DIMMOCK,

President

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to present the following report on the work of the Library for the year ending April 30th, 1898, with some additional statistics showing the growth and progress up to January 1, 1899.

The receipts for the fiscal year amounted to $73,349.01 as follows:

City collections	$67,638 45	
Desk receipts	3,839 86	
Rent	1,480 00	
Int. on current and time deposits	390 70	
		$73,349 01

In the city collections there was an increase of $2,975.13 over the previous year, and the desk receipts show a gain of $148.55.

The total expenditure for the maintenance of the Library amounted to $58,051.90. In addition to this, $29,972.00 was paid on real estate,—$20,000.00 being the first payment on the new building site, and $9,972.00 principal and interest notes on the 181 feet on the southeast corner of Locust and Seventeenth Streets, bought January 10, 1896. The final payment on this property ($24,036.00) was made January 10, 1899.

The total amount expended for books, periodicals and binding was $17,070.97. The total expense for the quarters occupied by the Library was $10,182.62. This consisted of $5,000 for rent, $3,216.69 for elevator service, $1,589.82 for light, $170.86 for water, and $205.25 for heat on Sundays and holidays.

The expenditure for delivery stations has increased from $933.35 in 1896-97 to $1,385.65; and, if the service is to be extended, a much larger appropriation will have to be made for the coming year.

*The "Collection of Duplicates," having fulfilled its purpose of supplying multiple copies of new books in temporary demand, shows a profit of $1,064.06 for the four years from June 1, 1894, to May, 1898. This of course, is so much added to the fund for the purchase of books for the regular collection, which further illustrates the fact that the "Collection of Duplicates" benefits those who do not use it as well as those who do.

A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year covered by this report and also for the calendar year of 1898 follows.

*For the explanation of the character and purpose of this special collection see annual report for 1894-95.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 11, 1898.

DR.

To bal. in City Treas., April 12, 1897		$24,537 93	
Collections, April 12, 1897—April 11, 1898		67,638 45	
			$92,176 38
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 1, 1897			10,490 47
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1897			101 80
Collection of Duplicates,			
Cards sold	811 65		
Magazines sold	52 65		
		864 30	
Fines		2,506 71	
Books sold, lost and paid for		205 17	
Catalogues		100 90	
Lost cards		138 10	
Postal cards		14 05	
Old paper, etc		10 63	
Total desk receipts,			3,839 86
Rent (from property purchased January, 1896)			1,480 00
Interest			390 75
Postage replaced			34 06
Total			108,513 32

CR.

By Salaries			23,253 53
Books, Main Collection		10,758 33	
Collection of Duplicates		538 17	
Binding		4,653 93	
Periodicals		1,120 54	
			17,070 97
Building (real estate purchased)		29,972 00	
Rent		5,000 00	
Elevator salary		1,462 50	
Elevator power		1,344 20	
Elevator (Sundays and holidays)		409 99	
Fuel (Sundays and holidays)		205 25	
Light		1,589 82	
Insurance		787 00	
Water		170 86	
Furniture and repair		578 36	
			41,519 98
Expense.			
Printing and Stationery		2,883 94	
Advertising		131 25	
Delivery Stations		1,385 65	
Postage		296 11	
Sundries		1,191 64	
Supplies		290 83	
			6,179 42
Total expenditures (including real estate investment)			88,023 90
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 12, 1898			14,700 70
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1898			96 23
Bal. in City Treasury, April 11, 1898			5,692 49
			$108,513 32

Collection of Duplicates, Receipts and Expenditures, June 1 to April 30, 1898.

Receipts	$3,106 82	
Expenditures	2,042 76	
Profit		$1,064 06

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

DR.

To bal. in City Treas., Jan. 7, 1898		$36,623 00	
Collections Jan. 7, 1898, to Jan. 9, 1899		71,688 16	
			108,311 16
Bal. in Bank Fund, Jan. 6, 1898			13,389 31
Collection of Duplicates,			
Cards sold	$734 50		
Magazines sold	36 58		
		771 08	
Fines		2,463 94	
Books sold, lost and paid for		171 51	
Lost cards		181 84	
Catalogues		189 00	
Postal cards		14 73	
Miscellaneous		50 73	
Total desk receipts			3,842 83
Rent collections			9,047 56
Interest on deposits			543 97
Insurance			39,552 72
Boiler sold			75 00
Total			$174,762 55

CR.

By Salaries			24,380 02
Books, Main Library		8,815 43	
Collection of Duplicates		337 53	
Binding		5,078 28	
Periodicals		398 71	
			14,629 95
Building, Notes (payments on building site)		83,009 82	
Rent		4,583 34	
Light		1,408 16	
Insurance, Library	$742 00		
" Property	902 15		
		1,644 15	
Elevator (Sundays and holidays)		389 19	
Water		78 00	
Furniture and repairs		600 25	
Elevator salaries		1,012 50	
Elevator power		889 07	
Fuel		103 15	
			$93,717 63
Expense.			
Printing and stationery	$	1,793 96	
Election expenses		463 68	
Delivery stations		1,737 70	
Postage		227 33	
Sundries		627 32	
Supplies		166 48	
			$ 5,016 47
Total expenditures (including payments made on real estate)			137,744 07
Balance in Bank Fund, Jan. 11, 1899,			
Certificates of deposit	$2,000 00		
Current deposit	4,728 45		
			6,728 45
Overdraft in Contingent Fund, Jan. 1, 1898			29 58
Bal. in Contingent Fund, Jan. 1, 1899			32 81
Bal. in City Treasury, Jan. 9, 1899			30,227 64
			$174,762 55

PURCHASE OF A BUILDING SITE.

The most notable event of the year was the purchase of a block of ground for a building site. A full exhibit of the finances of the Board necessarily includes a succinct account of this transaction, and may be properly accompanied by a brief history of the efforts of the Board to secure a permanent home for the Library.

It was apparent at the outset that the Library could not long remain on the top floor of a commercial building; and not many months after the organization of the Board, there were informal discussions on the subject, resulting in the determination to secure a site as soon as possible and erect a suitable building. It was the unanimous judgment that the Library should be located as near as possible to the business center of the city—between Washington Avenue and Olive Street, the two main east and west thoroughfares, and as far down town as the price of the land would permit.

The first definite report on the subject was made to the Board at the regular meeting on July 7, 1894, by Col. Meysenburg, who had been acting under an informal appointment as a committee on the selection of a site. He had found that a lot which the Board deemed desirable was held at too high a price. At Mr. Meysenburg's request, Mr. Arthur Lee was added to the Committee, and took the lead in a further investigation. Through Mr. Wm. Baggot he obtained the price on every suitable and available lot on Locust and Pine Streets (Olive Street being considered out of the question because of high prices), from Fourteenth to Jefferson Avenue, and on the latter street from Washington Avenue to Pine. A special meeting was held Tuesday, December 24, 1895, to receive a report on this investigation. After long and careful consideration, it was decided that location and price made the southeast corner of 17th and Locust the most desirable lot on the list. The corner with 100 feet fronting on Locust with a depth of 155 feet on 17th Street (having on it the old Morrison mansion, then leased for $150 a month), was offered by John Lumsden for $575 a front foot, which was $175 a foot less than the price placed on a lot of less depth on an opposite corner. Adjoining this was a vacant lot of 81 feet offered by George Warren Brown at $450 a foot. At the regular meeting, January 11, 1896, a unanimous vote authorized the Committee, Messrs. Lee and Meysenburg, to purchase the Lumsden property and 40 feet of the Brown lot at the prices named. During an informal discussion after adjournment, all the members present came to the conclusion that 140 feet was entirely inadequate to the most limited requirements of the Library; and the Secretary was directed to call a special meeting to consider the advisability of enlarging the purchase. The meeting was held on January 17th; and, on motion of Miss Halsted, it was unanimously voted to buy the whole 181 feet. The total cost of the property, exclusive of interest on deferred payments, was $94,140.37. The items appear as follows:

John Lumsden, 100 feet at $575		$57,500 00
George Warren Brown, 81 feet 4¼ inches at $450		36,609 37
		94,109 37
Certificates of title	$ 25 00	
Recorder's fees	4 00	
Notary	2 00	31 00
		94,140 37
Lumsden cash	28,750 00	
Brown cash	12,150 00	
Certificate of title, etc	31 00	
Total cash payment	$40,931 00	

Interest on the Lumsden notes amounted to $3,364.58. The rent received was sufficient to pay for insurance, repairs, and agent's commissions, and yield a net return of $4,375.53 up to January 1, 1899. Interest on the Brown lot amounted to $2,756.63. The total net cost of the 181 feet, therefore, was $95,886.05.

From the first it was not expected that this would be sufficient ground for the public library of a great and rapidly growing city like St. Louis. Considerations of life and safety from fire—not to mention architectural effect—forbade the thought of covering the entire lot.

The new Boston Public Library, a much larger building than could be erected on our lot, was found to be not large enough before the end of the first year, though Boston has a number of branch buildings to divide the work and lessen the crowd at the central library. Chicago was erecting a building occupying a whole block of ground on the lake front; Milwaukee had a larger building than our ground could properly hold; it was clear that the lot was inadequate. Moreover, it was practically certain that, sooner or later, an eight or ten-story commercial building on Olive Street would cut off our light and in case of fire endanger our building. It was necessary, therefore, to secure a frontage on Olive Street. But this could not be done until money for completing the first purchase should be in sight. When the attempt was made, it was found that two of the three holdings needed were held at unwarrantable prices, and that it would be difficult to get a clear title to two of them. By this time the consensus of the Board was that the site for the future great Public Library of St. Louis ought not to be less than a whole block, in order to give the building a proper setting back from the sidewalk, to obtain light on all sides and, above all, to insure safety from fire, which can be secured only by entire isolation. Accordingly, Mr. Baggot was set to work to see what could be done with the block immediately west. By quiet and skilful negotiation, under the direction of the Committee on Administration, Mr. Baggot secured options on every one of the eleven holdings in the block at prices that have since been pronounced low by real estate dealers, and which were but little more than half the prices asked for the ground on the next block. The property was all improved, bringing, at that time, a total rental of $18,076 per annum. At a special meeting on March 14, 1898, the Committee on Administration reported the result of its negotiations (which had also included

efforts to obtain a loan), and recommended the purchase of the block if the necessary money could be borrowed at 5%. After long discussion and the consideration of another block of ground offered, the Board adopted the recommendation of the Committee.

The total price of the property was $455,525.

After much difficulty and delay, the necessary funds were obtained from the St. Louis Trust Company. The first condition of the loan was a cash payment of $20,000 by the Library, which was made on April 11th. Thereupon, the Trust Company was to make a cash purchase of the property to be redeeded to the Library, taking its notes secured by deeds of trust on the property for the balance due, with the 181 feet on Locust Street as additional security. But immediately upon the closing of the options a fire destroyed five of the buildings, the insurance on which amounted to nearly $40,000.00. The contract between the Board and the Trust Company, therefore, provided that this sum should be added to the $20,000.00, making a total cash payment of $60,000.00. The fire made a considerable reduction in the annual rental; but, at the same time, it saved the interest on $40,000 and brought this sum for buildings which, in a few years would be worthless. A detailed statement brought up to January 1, 1899, follows. From this it appears that the Library has acquired a $60,000 equity in the property purchased, at an outlay (including interest) of $27,207.64. It will be seen, also, that the interest charge has been almost met by the income from rents.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES ON PROPERTY 17TH AND 18TH AND OLIVE AND LOCUST STREETS.

April 1, 1898, to December 31, 1899.

Payments on building site,			
Cash (April 11)		$ 20,000 00	
Cash (June 23d)		447 28	
Insurance on houses burnt (June 30)		33,552 72	
" " " (August)		6,000 00	
			$60,000 00
Conveyancing,			
Trust Co	$450 00		
" "	325 00		
" "	555 51		
Internal revenue	37 10		
		1,367 61	
Wrecking expenses	1,320 00		
" "	320 00		
		1,640 00	
Appraisal of fire losses		431 00	
Repairs		1,079 27	
Agents' commission		204 77	
Insurance		902 15	
Total incidental expenses		5,624 80	
Interest notes paid October 1, 1898		9,888 12	15,512 92
Total expense			75,512 92

RECEIPTS.

Insurance on houses burnt	$33,552 72	
" " "	6,000 00	
		39,552 72
Rent collections April	549 93	
" " May	841 27	
" " June	934 33	
" " July	1,182 21	
" " August	730 00	
" " September	1,206 33	
" " October	1,206 33	
" " November	744 50	
" " December	1,357 66	
		8,752 56
Total receipts		48,305 28
Net outlay for property to Jan. 1, 1899		$27,207 64
		$75,512 92

The total amount saved out of the regular maintenance fund of the Library from the organization of the Board, July 1, 1893, to January 10, 1899, and invested in real estate was $123,062.69, as shown by the following statement:—

AMOUNT PAID OUT OF MAINTENANCE FUND FOR REAL ESTATE.

Lumsden property	$ 57,500 00	
Interest	3,364 58	
	60,864 58	
Less net rental	4,375 53	
		$56,489 05
Brown property	36,609 37	
Interest	2,756 63	
		39,366 00
Conveyancing Lumsden and Brown property		31 00
Seventeenth Street block	20,447 28	
Interest	9,888 12	
Conveyancing, etc	1,367 61	
	31,703 01	
Less net rental	4,495 37	27,207 64
Total paid out of maintenance fund for real estate,		$123,062 69

REGISTRATION.

The Library was first opened as a free institution on June 1, 1894. Registration began some weeks before. From the beginning up to April 30, 1898, the names of 65,769 persons were registered. During the early months, when names were registered at the rate of more than 2,000 a month and the new machinery was not yet perfected, it was impracticable to deliver readers' cards at the time of registration. That many who signed applications were attracted by the novelty of a free library or came with the idea that they must register at once to get in at all, and did not really care to use the Library, is evidenced by the fact that at the end of the second year it was

found that some 7,000 who had taken the trouble to secure a guarantor and file an application, had not thought it worth their while to call afterwards and get their cards. Up to July 1, 1894, all cards were marked to expire in three years from that date. Expiration, therefore, began with July 1, 1897; and the total of expirations for the year ending April 30, 1898, amounted to 26,064. Of these, 6,931 re-registered during the year,—leaving 19,133 who did not re-register. This, of course, included the 7,000 who had never called for their cards, and some four or five thousand whose terms had but recently expired,—many of whom have since taken cards for a new term of three years. There still remained, however, some thousands who did not value the privileges of the Library. Most of these were children who had been stimulated by the example of their school-mates or the advice of their teachers to get cards, but who failed to receive, either at home or at school, any encouragement to use them, or any help towards appreciating the delights of a good book. It is fair to assume that removals from the city would account for some hundreds. And yet there remains a considerable balance to be accounted for. This, of course, cannot be done accurately or completely. My own personal observation, corroborated by the wider and more constant experience of the assistants in the circulation department, shows that many persons come to the Library expecting to obtain books that no public library could entertain the thought of placing on its shelves. Finding none of these in the catalogue, they have no use for such a library. Again, there is another, a much larger class, whose literary horizon includes only some half-dozen story-writers. These novels are not vicious, but cheap and tawdry, trivial and vulgar, attracting by the glitter of tinsel, which ignorant readers take for gold, because they have never had an opportunity to become acquainted with the genuine metal. Most of these writers are American women, and three of them rank among the most popular authors in all parts of the country. What should be the attitude of the public library towards these books is a constantly recurring question. Supply them *ad libitum*, and you can increase registration and circulation to any extent; cut them off altogether, and thousands would think there was nothing in the library worth reading, and would forthwith leave and depend for their reading on cheap story papers and the low-class paper novels they might buy, beg or borrow. Like most public libraries, we have adopted a compromise by furnishing the books of these authors in limited quantities, hoping thus to hold their devotees and gradually lead them to better things. But hundreds, we know, or have reason to believe, have grown impatient over the difficulty of obtaining their favorites, and, declaring they couldn't get anything from the Library, have ceased to come. To keep these, however, by an unlimited supply of the books in question would be to foster the appetite that grows by what it feeds on and to educate generation after generation of Holmes and Southworth readers in a taste for that kind of insipid and innutritious mental pabulum.

There is another class, also a large one, who have been disappointed in the Library because they cannot get the latest popular books. This is inevitable. No library can supply the demand for new books of the popular kind unless it is conducted on the plan of Mudie's, which orders in advance of publication a whole edition, 2,000 copies, of a book by a popular author and charges from $5 to $100 a year for its privileges.

Some former cardholders have not renewed their registration because the Library did not meet their unreasonable requirements, because it was crowded and they had to take their turns in getting books, and because there was not the same absence of formality that prevailed when the membership was only one-tenth of the present enrollment.

But, further, candor compels me to admit that some cardholders have failed to re-register because the Library has not done what the public library of a city like St. Louis ought to do for its citizens. This disappointment of reasonable expectations, I think, can be shown to be from no neglect of the Board or lack of effort on the part of the staff, but solely from the lack of suitable quarters and sufficient funds. And this points to the greatest loss of all: viz., the additional thousands that could have been drawn into the circle of the Library's influence if there had been sufficient revenue to buy more books, print more reading lists, supply more delivery stations, and establish branches with reading-rooms in every part of the city.

A tabulated statement of the registration is given below:

Registered to April 30, 1897		51,476
Additions to April 30, 1898		14,293
Total registration to April 30, 1898		65,769
Expired	26,064	
Less re-registered	6,931	19,133
Total registration		46,636

Of these 11,790 are men, 13,751 women, 20,978 children, and 117 institutions.

Total registration		46,636
Cards cancelled	215	
Guarantors withdrawn	411	
Held for fines	3,000	3,626
Total cards in use		43,010

The issue of extra and teachers' cards began in September, 1896.

	Extra cards.	Teachers' cards.
Issued up to April 30, 1897	2,049	540
Additions to April 30, 1898	1,716	375
Total	3,765	915

It appears from this that up to April 30, 1898, 65,769 persons had registered as applicants for cards; that during the year ending with that date 14,293 new names were registered and 6,931 cards renewed, and that at the close of the year the total registration was 46,636 and the number of cards in use 43,010.

ADDITIONS TO THE COLLECTION.

The additions for the year amount to 15,345 volumes,—14,955 to the regular library and 390 to the "Collection of Duplicates". Of the total, 13,163 were purchased; 1,680 were gifts; and the balance came from the binding of periodicals and pamphlets. The large proportion of juveniles added is accounted for by the increased registration of children and by the purchase of 4,800 volumes for circulation in the public schools. A detailed statement, showing the number of volumes added in each class, etc., is given below.

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1898.

Classes.	Reg. Lib.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	77		77
Religion	266		266
Social Science	1,475		1,475
Natural Science	1,081		1,081
Art and Poetry	502		502
Fiction	2,094	568	2,662
Juvenile Literature	7,769		7,769
Literary Miscellany	405		405
Travels and History	839		839
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	427		427
Total	14,935	568	15,503
Source.			
Purchase	12,595	568	13,163
Gift	1,680		1,680
Pamphlets, bound	121		121
Periodicals, bound	539		539
Total	14,935	568	15,503
Language.			
English	14,463	568	15,031
French	63		63
German	314		314
Other	95		95
Total	14,935	568	15,503

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned	1,586	
Lost and paid for	191	
Charged to card-holders	39	
Entered duplicates exchanged	195	2,011
Total additions		15,503
Less above		2,011
Net increase		13,492

Of the 1,586 volumes worn out, 1,085 were replaced by new copies; and of the 191 volumes lost and paid for, 134 were replaced.

The 39 volumes drawn by card-holders and not returned are a very small percentage out of a total of 687,029,—less than one out of 17,000, or less than six-thousandths of one per cent.

While the year's purchases have necessarily been chiefly for the general reader, the requirements of the student have not been overlooked. The following list of works added to the reference department might be greatly extended.

SOME OF THE MORE IMPORTANT ADDITIONS.

ARCHER, J. H. L. Orders of chivalry. F.

ARGOSY. 50v. O.

BILLINGS, R. W. Architectural illustrations of Carlisle cathedral. F.

BIGGS, C. H. W., *ed.* Practical electrical engineering. 2v. F.
BURGESS, J. The Buddhist stupas of Amaravati. F.
—— Report on the Buddhist cave temples. F.
CHEMICAL society of London. Journal, and abstracts of proceedings. 64v. O.
COLLIER, J. P. Bibliographical and critical account of the rarest books in the English language. 2v. O.
DEVOY, J. History of St. Louis. Q.
HAMERTON, P. G. Man in art. F.
INTERNATIONAL cyclopedia. 15v. Q.
JOURNAL of the anthropological inst. of Great Britain and Ireland. v. 1-18. O.
KELLOGG, D. O. New Amer. sup. to the Encyclopædia Britannica. 5v. Q.
KNACKFUSS, H. Künstler-Monographien. 31v. O.
MONTHLY microscopial journal. v. 1-18. O.
PEABODY Institute Library. Catalogue and sup. 7v. Q.
PHILLIPS, P. The Forth bridge. F.
RANKE, F. L. Memoirs of the house of Brandenburg and hist. of Prussia. O.
RICHARDSON, C. F., *and* Clark, H. A. College book. Q.
RICHELIEU, *Cardinal.* Lettres et papiers d'etat. 8v. Q.
SHAW, H. Details of Elizabethan architecture. F.
STEVENSON, T. Edinburgh in the olden times. F.

This year marks a further effort to supply the wants of our polyglot population. For many years we have had a good German collection, which has called forth commendation from a number of German students who have at various times examined it; we have always tried to meet the demand for French literature, and of late years have added a number of Italian and Spanish books. This year we made a beginning by the purchase of fifty volumes in the Polish language, comprising some of the best of recent works in history, poetry, and prose fiction.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

In an appendix may be found a complete list of the exchanges and donations, amounting to 2234 volumes and 7,264 pamphlets, from 1,011 sources. The following comparison shows the result of the systematic efforts of the assistant who has had charge of the work the last two years to obtain the publications of the states, municipalities and institutions, from which has come the marked increase in the number of gifts.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

1894-5 TO 1897-8.

	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
1894-5	1,074	1,362
1895-6	1,575	2,926
1896-7	1,163	3,069
1897-8	2,234	7,265
Calendar year, 1898	1,553	8,810

The sources from which the donations and exchanges come are roughly classified as follows:

Source.	May 1, 1897-April 30, 1898.		Jan.-Dec., 1898.	
	Volumes.	Pamphlets.	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
Educational institutions	46	543	35	503
Libraries	132	674	110	701
States and Cities	546	2,336	449	2,359
United States	227	475	414	617
Miscellaneous	1,258	1,927	478	4,080
Foreign	25	309	67	550
Total	2,234	7,264	1,553	8,810

Most of these were gifts. In exchange for the others we have sent our annual reports, Fiction Catalogue, and the St. Louis Public Library Magazine, copies of our municipal documents, reports of the St. Louis Board of Education, and a few duplicate state documents, together with many duplicates of the United States documents returned to the government.

Among the noteworthy donations of the year the following may be mentioned:

Mr. F. G. Brown, Boston, Reports of Bunker Hill Monument Association and miscellaneous pamphlets, some of them very old and valuable, 21 volumes and 30 pamphlets; Dr. M. M. Eaton, 56 volumes of medical books; Mr. A. A. Folsom, Boston, 29 numbers of the Reports of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Boston; Mr. F. Gottlieb, Map of St. Louis, facsimile of plat made by A. Chouteau in 1764; Dr. D. R. McAnally, St. Louis, 9 volumes of additions to the McAnally collection; Hon. J. J. O'Neill, St. Louis, U. S. Publications, 605 volumes, 30 pamphlets, and 21 charts; Dr. E. M. Power's estate, St. Louis, Medical miscellany, 60 volumes, 500 pamphlets; Mr. D. J. Snider, St. Louis, a set of his writings, 18 volumes; Shaker Society of the United States, Shaker literature, 35 volumes, and 20 pamphlets.

DUPLICATES DISPOSED OF.

The records show that 256 volumes of duplicate U. S. and State documents were exchanged as follows:

	Volumes.	Pamphlets.
Denver Public Library, entered 40		
unentered 61	101	
New York City Public Free Library, Astor, Lenox and Tilden Foundation, entered	81	
New York State Library, entered	54	2
Field Columbian Museum, entered	14	
St. Louis Public School Board, entered	4	
Columbia University	2	
	256	2

THE INVENTORY OF 1897.

To account for every one of upwards of 105,000 volumes, many thousands of which are constantly coming in and going out, without in the slightest degree interrupting the circulation, is no small task. How the work is done I explained fully in my report for 1894-95. A careful inventory begun May 17th showed the actual possession of 105,171 catalogued

Including the additions for the eight months following September 1, 1897, we have the

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, APRIL 30, 1898.

	Main Coll.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	1,300		1,300
Religion	4,691		4,691
Social Science	16,092		16,092
Natural Science	15,405	4	15,409
Art and Poetry	6,670	7	6,677
Fiction	22,392	1,211	23,603
Juvenile Literature	17,917	2	17,919
Literary Miscellany	6,068	16	6,084
Geography and History	14,814	14	14,828
Cyclopædias and Magazines	10,663	4	10,667
	116,012	1,258	117,270
Unentered duplicates and books and periodicals not yet catalogued, (about)			6,000
Total contents of Library April 30, 1898			123,270

BINDING.

During the year 11,090 volumes were rebound by contract at a total cost of $4,190.83, an average of about 40 cents per volume. In addition to these 1,192 volumes, chiefly periodicals, were bound for the first time at a total cost of $867.30, an average of 72 cents per volume.

10,022 books were repaired at the Library at a cost of $469.50 for materials and salary, an average of four cents per volume. The report for the year is as follows:

Leaves patched, 2,611; leaves replaced, 2,465; backs replaced, 1,830; backs patched, 1,695; new backs, 480; backs lettered, 877; books sewed, 64. Total, 10,022.

CIRCULATION.

The total circulation for the year was 920,500 books and periodicals. The home issue from the Library was 438,811; from the delivery stations, 212,360; total home issue, 647,360; library issue, 69,070; reading-room issue, 204,259.

As in other cities, there is a steady and natural tendency towards an increase of the ratio of issue from the delivery stations. For the year covered by this report, the delivery station issue was nearly one-third of the total; while for the year preceding, it was but little more than one-fifth. The gain from this source amounted to 100,891 volumes. Deducting from this the loss of 4,779 volumes in the issue over the library counter, we have a net gain of 96,112 volumes, which is greater by 17,771 than the gain of the previous year. The gain in the home issue was 15 per cent, and in the total issue, 14½ per cent.

The largest per cent. of gain was in the Juvenile Department—the issue increasing from 26 to 32 per cent. Part of this is due to the books sent to the schools. In the adult fiction there has been a corresponding decrease from 58 to 52 per cent. The juvenile issue, it must be remembered, includes books in all classes, and is not to be counted with fiction.

There can be no question that it all has an educating value, as, indeed, do most of the novels read by adolescents and adults.

The March issue was the largest in the history of the Library—72,590 for home use and a total of 103,428.

In fiction the most popular book was Les Miserables, with Monte Cristo second, thus reversing the order of last year. These were followed by the novels of Holmes, Wilson and King, and by Ben Hur, Vanity Fair and the Wandering Jew. Among the juveniles, Tom Sawyer is easily first, followed closely by Miss Alcott's books. Of standard works, Shakespeare heads the list, followed by Mark Twain and Longfellow. A list of the most popular books with the issue of each, may be found in an appendix.

There were seven holidays; Decoration Day, July 5th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Washington's Birthday. The average issue for these days was 1,743, the largest being on Washington's birthday, 3,644, and the smallest, Christmas, 392.

Saturday, March 12th, marked the highest point yet reached, with a home issue of 4,158, and a total issue of 5,398.

Full details may be found in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1898.

	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	Total.	Library Issue.	Reading Room Issue.	Total in all Depts.
May	37449	17789	55238	5030	13562	73830
June	33818	15407	49225	4242	12083	65550
July	32894	11475	44369	4328	11857	60554
August	33599	11067	44666	3945	10919	59530
September	30701	10333	41034	4636	12716	58386
October	33011	10767	43778	5214	15823	64815
November	36935	16992	53927	5993	18841	78761
December	36593	16663	53236	7040	20880	81156
January	41559	19463	61022	7575	22973	91570
February	39484	23086	62570	6485	20994	90049
March	41928	30662	72590	7848	22990	103428
April	36860	28656	65516	6734	20621	92871
Total, 1897-'98	434811	212360	647171	69070	204259	920500
Total, 1896-'97	439590	111469	551059	51240	184729	787028
Gain		100891	96112	17830	19530	133472
Loss	4779					

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	2981	.46	1721	2.49	4702	.66
Religion	4270	.66	2647	3.83	6917	.97
Social Science	8826	1.36	8801	12.74	17627	2.46
Natural Science	16068	2.48	7279	10.53	23347	3.26
Art	4975	.77	5243	7.60	10218	1.43
Poetry	11833	1.83	2395	3.46	14228	1.99
Fiction	340836	52.67	10324	14.95	351160	49.02
Juvenile	210999	32.60	2307	3.34	213306	29.78
Literary Miscellany	12735	1.97	5440	7.88	18175	2.54
Travels	8091	1.25	2445	3.54	10536	1.47
History	10204	1.58	3555	5.15	13759	1.92
Biography	9519	1.47	2381	3.45	11900	1.66
Cyclopædias and Magazines	5834	.90	14532	21.04	20366	2.84
Total	647171	100.00	69070	100.00	716241	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Issue—The total issue through the delivery stations was 212,360 volumes, 116,117 of which were issued through the 34 stations in drug stores, and 46,243 through the public schools and Sunday schools. 4,219 volumes were sent to Sunday schools and 1,230 were afterwards recalled because no use was made of them. 4,655 volumes were sent to the public schools as supplementary reading.

The gain in the delivery stations proper over the preceding year was 66,201 volumes; and the total gain, including public schools and Sunday schools, was 100,891, an increase of 66 per cent. The daily average was 534, and the largest issue was April 7th, 1,019.

Stations—There were thirty-four delivery stations, four of which were added during the year, while seven were changed from bi-weekly to daily. Under an arrangement with the street car companies, the Library has established stations at the following power houses for the benefit of the employees: Broadway Cable (North End), Citizen's Railway, Northern Central, and Lindell Railway (Chouteau, Finney, Park, and Vandeventer divisions).

The following churches have been supplied with collections of books for use of the Sunday schools: Baden Presbyterian, Beckville M. E., Bowman M. E., Central Presbyterian, Church of the Messiah, Messiah Mission, Church of the Redeemer, Compton Heights Christian, Cook Avenue M. E., Ethical Club, First Congregational, Fountain Park Congregational, Grace Presbyterian, Hyde Park Congregational, Immanuel Congregational, Lafayette Park M. E., McCausland Avenue Presbyterian, North Presbyterian, Oak Hill Congregational, Olivette Presbyterian, St. Philip's Episcopal, St. Stephens' Mission, Union M. E.

These books may be kept as long as they can be used, and the Library is guaranteed from loss by the pastor of the Church or the Superintendent of the Sunday school. The Second Baptist Sunday School is not mentioned in this list, as the books issued are loaned directly to the members and not to the Sunday School. Orders for books are left with the Librarian of the Sunday School one week in advance. These orders are filled the following Saturday at the Library, sent to the Church and issued the next day.

Transportation—Transportation has been by two Library wagons, one of which was put on last September, the South St. Louis Express for stations 9, 11 and 13, and the Benton Express for station 28.

The transportation of the books is one of the problems to be met in the near future. The only hope for the indefinite increase of the circulation is in the development of the Delivery Stations; and if the present increase is to continue, ampler provisions must be made to meet it. As it is, the routes are so long and the loads so heavy that it is often impossible to make schedule time. On account of this, the drivers are compelled to start out very early in the morning; and frequently they are compelled to wait from 15 minutes to half an hour before some of the stations are open. This, of course, causes delay and confusion at the Library, besides giving

MONTHLY ISSUE FOR THE YEAR, 1898.

Month.	Home.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
January	61,022	7,575	22,973	91,570
February	62,570	6,485	20,994	90,049
March	72,590	7,848	22,990	103,428
April	65,516	6,734	20,621	92,871
May	57,096	5,951	16,427	79,474
June	46,037	4,188	12,956	63,181
July	45,805	3,759	10,389	59,953
August	46,068	4,277	9,380	59,725
September	49,384	4,825	14,207	68,416
October	48,243	5,553	15,074	68,870
November	64,742	5,864	16,988	87,594
December	67,956	5,544	19,248	92,748
Total ('98)	687,029	68,603	202,247	957,879
Total ('97)	613,876	61,902	191,549	867,327
Gain	73,153	6,701	10,698	90,552

DELIVERY STATION DEPARTMENT.

Delivery Station Issue	184,723
Schools and Sunday-schools	74,402
Total issue from January to December, 1898	259,125
" " " " " 1897	171,385
Gain of 1898 over 1897	87,740
Gain in delivery station issue	.51

HOLIDAY ISSUE FOR THE YEAR 1897-98.

	Home Issue.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
Decoration Day	2,042	123	481	2,646
July 5	414	86	218	718
Labor Day	1,320	143	458	1,921
Thanksgiving Day	824	107	481	1,412
Christmas Day	81	79	232	392
New Year's Day	790	144	540	1,474
Washington's Birthday	2,550	231	863	3,644
Total	8,021	913	3,273	12,207
Average	1,145	130	468	1,743

SUMMARIES.

	1896-97	1897-98
Home issue, regular library	537,583	630,256
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	13,476	16,915
Total home issue	551,059	647,171
		551,059
Gain in home issue		96,112

	1896-97	1897-98
Library issue	51,240	69,070
		51,240
Gain in library issue		17,830
Total issue of books	602,299	716,241
		602,299
Gain in issue of books		113,942
Reading room issue	184,729	204,259
		184,729
Gain in reading room issue		19,530
Total issue in all departments	787,028	920,500
		787,028
Gain in 1897-1898		133,472

Largest week day issue, Saturday, March 12, 1898.	
Home issue	4,158
Library issue	336
Reading room issue	904
Total	5,398
Smallest week day issue, Thursday, Sept. 16, 1897.	
Home issue	1,107
Library issue	198
Reading room issue	441
Total	1,746
Largest Sunday issue, March 27, 1898.	
Library issue	68
Reading room	418
Total	486
Smallest Sunday issue, July 4, 1897.	
Library issue	26
Reading-room issue	119
Total	145
Total Sunday issue.	
Library issue	3,219
Reading room issue	14,289
Total	17,508
Average Sunday issue.	
Library issue	62
Reading-room	275
Total	337
Average daily issue.	
Home issue	2,067
Library issue	189
Reading-room issue	560
Total	2,816
Average week-day issue.	
Home issue	2,067
Library issue	210
Reading-room issue	607
Total	2,884

MISCELLANEOUS WORK OF THE CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

The system that enables one receiving clerk and one issue clerk to receive and issue 300 volumes in an hour, which counts with absolute exactness how many volumes were issued every day in each of the thirteen main classes—which tells how many and what books are "out" at any moment, in whose hands each book is and when it will be due and shows at a glance what books are overdue—which enables us to ascertain

how many times each volume in the Library has been issued, and furnishes other information at times necessary or desirable, appears very simple in its final application to the one end in view; viz., putting the books into the hands of readers and getting them back again. But, as in the case of any smoothly working and effective piece of machinery, there are many nice adjustments, and much work done that does not meet the eye. A somewhat detailed explanation of the process by which the records of the registration and circulation departments are kept may be found in my report for 1894-5. A few figures will serve to illustrate the work involved in keeping accounts with 45,000 people of all ages and conditions. The routine of the circulation department required the sending of 10,379 notices; 9,880 for books overdue, 416 notifications to guarantors regarding delinquencies of those for whom they were sponsors, and 83 to persons whose houses were reported for infectious diseases, telling them to turn their books over to the Health Commissioner for disinfection. The work of this department also included the writing of 27,059 book cards to replace those that had been filled. In 374 cases a second notice failed to secure the return of the books overdue, and a messenger was sent for the book. Of these, 355 were secured, leaving 19 that had not been returned at the end of the year; of the volumes sent through the delivery stations, 15 were lost. This made a total loss of 34 volumes out of 647,000, less than five-thousandths of one per cent.

It was necessary to prosecute 30 delinquents in the courts, 28 in the police and two in the circuit courts. All the cases were decided in favor of the Library.

CHILDREN'S ROOM—THE LIBRARY AND THE SCHOOLS.

In December, 1897, the juvenile collection was placed in the Medical Room, which had been very little used. The room is not large enough to hold all the juvenile books, and the overflow is shelved in the adjacent section of the stack. The tables in the room are full every afternoon, and on Saturdays the room and the aisles of the stack are so crowded that passage through them is difficult. A room not less than six times as large ought to be provided, and fifty such rooms should be opened in the different parts of the city. The cost would be comparatively little, and the benefits to the city incalculable.

A beginning has been made towards supplying the public schools with good reading. During the winter of 1897-8 books for the first four grades were supplied to twenty schools. The work has been extended this winter to include about half the schools. The books are sent in sets of 30 copies, to be kept a month at each school and then exchanged. The success of the plan depends entirely on the teachers. Most teachers welcome the aid, while some regard the plan with indifference; and a few seem to think the supplying of general reading not a proper function of the schools and an uncompensated tax upon their time. On the other hand, a number of the teachers are calling for more books than we have thus far been able to supply.

The opening of a special room for the Young Folk's Department

brought some very acceptable gifts from friends of the Library. Supt. Gurney, of Shaw's Garden, at once beautified the room with potted plants, which he has since supplied for all the rooms. He also presented a number of gold fish, which are a constant source of pleasure to the little people. Thanks are due also to Mrs. George O. Carpenter and the ladies of the Art League for beautiful and appropriate pictures which have adorned the walls of the room.

THE VALUE OF A PUBLIC LIBRARY.

On a bright day of last June, the little town of Arbroath in Scotland celebrated an event of the greatest and happiest significance to its inhabitants, to them and to their successors for all time. Factories and shops were closed and all customary vocations suspended. Houses were decorated with flags and festive garlands. A grand procession, containing representatives of all the public bodies, trades, friendly societies and other organizations with symbolic floats, a detachment of the volunteers with their full military band, the magistrates and town councillors and distinguished guests and citizens in carriages and the whole completed by the school children of the city, marched through the principal streets. The Arbroath Herald, which devotes the greater part of its next issue to a detailed and illustrated account of the event, says of the procession: "Its magnitude was even greater than the demonstration on the occasion of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee last year." Among the distinguished guests was the Hon. John Morley, the well-known author and member of Parliament, and one of the leaders of the Liberal party.

The occasion of the demonstration was the dedication of a free library building given to the town by one of its noble citizens, Councillor Corsar.

With a few simple words, Mr. Corsar handed to the Provost (Mayor) of the city the deed of gift, the preamble of which recites the donor's reasons for making the gift, viz., "the desire to promote the moral and intellectual well-being of the inhabitants of my native town, and being also desirous of acknowledging the goodness of God in vouchsafing to me the blessings which I have enjoyed as well as the confidence my fellow townsmen have reposed in me and the kindness they have shown to me during bygone years."

In his speech at the presentation ceremony, Mr. Morley expressed his views on the value of a public library in the following words, which I wish might be read by every citizen of St. Louis, and especially those who might, individually or in combination, do for St. Louis what David Corsar has done for his native town.

"It is very evident, from this enormous gathering, that you very cordially appreciate what has been done for this town. In old days, in the old cities of Italy and of Greece, when a great statue was to be unveiled by some great artist, or a great picture was known to have been completed by some master hand, it was the fashion amongst those communities in their love of beauty and art to come forth, much as you have come forth to-day, to welcome the new addition to the wealth and to the beauty of the world. So you to-day—you have come forth to welcome the

addition to your town of what ought to be a boon of priceless value to it. These flags and banners and bands show that you regard this no ordinary occasion; and no ordinary occasion is it. It is an opening to you of a treasure-house of all the wise and silent teachers of the world. It is the unsealing of a fountain whence the richest streams will flow in increasing volume. You are all aware of that, and you all feel it. I am not going to attempt on this occasion to expatiate to you upon the delights and the uses of books and of reading. Nearly all that can be said upon the great and admirable subject has been said by far wiser and greater men than I can pretend to be. They have told you what literature does for you—what books can do for you if rightly used—how they enrich life, how they refresh it, how they console it. They have shown in eloquent, sincere, and true words that after the first absolute necessities of life have been satisfied, then a taste for wise reading, and a cultivation of habits of wise reading, is almost the next necessary in a full and well-filled life. I am not going to repeat all these things. You well know how from books and books alone, from libraries rightly used and from them alone you can have the quickening of intelligence, that awakening up of drowsy thoughts and slumbering impulses. You know all these things. I will only say one thing more. Ladies and gentlemen, you show me a man or a woman who is tolerant, whose reading has made him or her tolerant, patient, candid, a truth-seeker and a truth-lover, then I will show you a well-read man or woman. I have always thought that an admirable definition of the purposes of libraries and books, which was given, years ago, by a well-known man of letters when he said—"Their object is to bring more sunshine into the lives of our fellow countrymen, more good will, more good humor, more of the habit of being well pleased with one another.' That is one of the great purposes of wise reading. I will make a little addition to it. The purpose is—yes, to bring sunshine into our hearts and to drive moonshine out of our heads.

"With these words I will only again express my own sense of the service which Mr. Corsar has rendered, not only to you who are here, but to your children and your children's children. He has done a work to which there can be no drawback. In many philanthropic and benevolent things there is a drawback. In the opening of a fountain of light like this there is no drawback to be imagined or to be conceived, and I am perfectly sure that his name, and the names of all who have helped to promote this enterprise and to bring it to a successful issue, will be gratefully remembered by every inhabitant of Arbroath, and by everybody whom they influence."

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,

February, 1899. *Librarian.*

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius, personally known to me, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1898, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this twenty-fifth day of February, 1899.

(Seal.)

GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis, Mo.

My term expires March 14, 1901.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 24th day of February, 1899.

(Seal.)

GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis.

My term expires March 14, 1901.

APPENDIX NO. I.

LIST OF MOST POPULAR BOOKS.

NOVELS ISSUED 900 TIMES AND OVER.

Holmes	West Lawn	901	Holmes	Infelice	902
	Mildred	906	Dumas	Count of Monte Cristo	1504
Wilson	Beulah	960	Hugo	Les miserables	1856

BETWEEN 800 AND 900 TIMES.

Holmes	Bessie's fortune	870	Sue	Wandering Jew	809
	Daisy Thornton	840	Thackeray	Vanity Fair	806
	Gretchen	806	Wallace	Ben Hur	810
	Madeline	889	Weyman	Gentleman of France	806
	Marguerite	868	Wilson	Macaria	810
King	Colonel's daughter	806		St. Elmo	880

BETWEEN 700 AND 800 TIMES.

Blackmore	Lorna Doone	775	Holmes	Rose Mather	713
Bronté	Shirley	720	Roe	Barriers burned away	719
Dickens	David Copperfield	750	Wilson	At the mercy of Tiberius	780
Holmes	Cousin Maude	781			

BETWEEN 600 AND 700 TIMES.

Bronté	Jane Eyre	601	Holmes	Dora Dean	631
Crawford	Don Orsino	628		English orphans	651
	Taquisara	662		Homestead on the hillside	600
Dumas	Three musketeers	669		Hugh Worthington	651
Eliot	Daniel Deronda	652		Meadow Brook	602
Fothergill	First violin	682	Marlitt	Second wife	651
Hardy	Tess	682	Stowe	Uncle Tom's cabin	672
Holmes	Cameron pride	660	Wallace	Prince of India	660
	Darkness and daylight	660	Ward	Sir George Tressady	662

BETWEEN 500 AND 600 TIMES.

Carey	Not like other girls	570	Holmes	Marian Grey	570
Clemens	Pudd'nhead Wilson	520		Millbank	589
Collins	Woman in white	510		Queenie Hetherton	527
Corelli	Romance of two worlds	570	Hope	Prisoner of Zenda	572
Crawford	Casa Braccio	520	Lyall	Donovan	534
	Ralstons	542	Marlitt	Gold Elsie	511
	Saracinesca	520		Old Mam'selle's secret	534
Duchess	Phyllis	572		Owl's Nest	541
Dumas	Twenty years after	572	Roe	Opening a chestnut burr	572
DuMaurier	Trilby	522		Youg girl's wooing	558
Hawthorne	Scarlet letter	510	Wilson	Vashti	562
Holmes	Edith Lyle	520			

BETWEEN 400 AND 500 TIMES.

Barr	Bow of orange ribbon	422	King	Marion's faith	465
Corelli	Thelma	462	Marlitt	Little moorland princess	496
Crawford	Sant' Ilario	452	Roe	His sombre rivals	402
Holmes	Edna Browning	480		Original belle	462
	Ethelyn's mistake	482	Scott	Ivanhoe	465
	Tempest and sunshine	450	Ward	Marcella	450
King	Kitty's conquest	403			

BOOKS ISSUED BETWEEN 300 AND 400 TIMES.

Black	Madcap Violet	309	Corelli	Barabbas	306
Bulwer	Last days of Pompeii	332		Ardath	302
Burnham	Dearly bought	308		Vendetta	330
	Miss Bagg's secretary	360	Dickens	Little Dorrit	360
	Sweet Clover	368		Nicholas Nickleby	306
Caine	Deemster	368		Old curiosity shop	362
	Manxman	382	Duchess	Airy fairy Lilian	330
Carey	Aunt Diana	308		Beauty's daughters	336
	Queenie's whim	332		Doris	360
	Wooed and married	302		Duchess	362
Collins	Man and wife	352			

Duchess	Faith and unfaith	336
	Lovice	340
	Mrs. Geoffrey	336
	Rossmoyne	390
Ebers	Uarda	372
Eliot	Adam Bede	362
	Felix Holt	341
	Mill on the Floss	341
	Romola	313
Ford	Hon. Peter Stirling	372
Grand	Heavenly twins	372
Holmes, *Mrs.* M. J.	Chateau d'Or	362
	Forrest House	330
	Lena Rivers	332
Holmes, O. W.	Elsie Venner	360
Howard	One summer	362
Hugo	Notre Dame	332
Jackson	Ramona	392
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Alcott	Under the lilacs	868
Trowbridge	Bound in honor	800

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Andersen	Fairy tales	781
Coffin	Boys of '61	724

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Adler, Cyrus, Washington, *D. C.*	...	1
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—— Treasurer	...	1
Albany. Board of Public Instruction	...	1
American Academy of Dramatic Arts	...	2
—— Antiquarian Society	...	3
—— Baptist Publication Society	2	...
—— Book Co	21	...
—— Colonial Tracts	...	1
—— Congregational Society	3	31
—— Forestry Association		5
—— Humane Association		30
—— Institute of Electrical Engineers	1	...
—— Institute of Homeopathy	1	...
—— Laryngological Assoc.	1	...
—— Oriental Society	1	...
—— Physicians and Surgeons	1	...
—— Proportional Representation League	...	10
—— Publishing House. Louisville, *Ky*	1	5
—— Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals	...	1
—— Society of Naval Engineers	...	1
—— Unitarian Association	...	8
Amherst College, Amherst, *Mass*	...	1
Anderson Intelligencer, Anderson, *S. C.*	...	1
Andover House Association, Boston	...	4
Andover Theological Seminary. Andover, *Mass.*	...	1
Anonymous	8	10
Archaeological Institute of America	...	12
Arizona. Agricultural Experiment Station	...	17
—— School of Mines	...	8
Arkansas. Bureau of Mines	1	1
—— Secretary of State	1	3
Association for Public Control of Franchises. N. Y. City	...	2
Association of Military Surgeons of U. S.	...	1
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Co	...	4
Athenaeum. London	...	2
Atherton, *Miss* M. S. Boston	...	1
Atlanta, *Ga.* Board of Education	...	5
—— University		2
Austin, J. W. Providence, *R. I.*	1	...
Baillie's Institution. Glasgow, *Scotland*	...	1
Balch, J. W. Philadelphia	1	...
Baldwin, G. H. Pasadena, *Cal.*	1	...
Baltimore. Board of Commissioners of Public Schools	...	1
—— Mayor	8	...
—— Social Settlement	...	1
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library	...	1
Barnes, O. M. Lansing, *Mich.*	...	1
Barnes Medical College. St. Louis	...	1
Bath, *Eng.* Mayor	1	...
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Belfast, *Ireland.* Free Public Library	...	1
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Ben Adhem House. Boston	...	1
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Berlin. Magistrats		1
Bermondsey Settlement. London	...	1
Bernd, L. St. Louis		2
Bible Institute. Chicago	1	...
Bigelow Free Public Library. Clinton, *Mass.*	...	1
Birkenhead, *Eng.* Free Public Library	1	1
Birmingham, *Eng.* School Board	1	...
Birney, W. Washington, *D. C.*	1	...
Blackburn, J. E. Columbus, *O.*	...	1
Blackburn, Eng. Free Library	...	1
Blair, James L. St. Louis	...	2
Blanchard, G. W. N. Y. City	...	1
Boatmen's Bank. St. Louis	1	...
Bolton, *Eng.* Public Free Library	...	1
Boogher, I. St. Louis	...	2
Bootle, *Eng.* Free Library	...	2
Boston. Associated Charities	...	8
—— Asylum and Farm School	...	7
—— Benevolent Fraternity of Churches	...	1
—— Board of Commissioners of Parks	...	1
—— Board of Municipal Statistics	...	1
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	Vols.	Pphs.
—— Book Co	...	3
—— Bunker Hill Monument Association	...	1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
—— Children's Aid Society	...	7
—— Children's Hospital	...	12
—— City Auditor	1	...
—— City Hospital	...	2
—— City Registry Dept	1	...
—— Club of Odd Volumes	...	1
—— Epworth League House Settlement	...	4
—— Federation of Jewish Charities	...	1
—— Health Dept	3	1
—— Improved Dwelling Association	...	1
—— Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children	...	3
—— Museum of Fine Arts	...	1
—— Provident Assoc	...	14
—— Public Library	...	23
—— School Committee	1	30
—— Young Men's Christian Union	1	...
Bostonian Society	...	2
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Peabody Institute. Danvers, *Mass*	...	20
Peabody Institute. Peabody, *Mass*	...	1
Peabody Museum of Archaeology and Ethnology. Cambridge, *Mass*	1	5
Pennsylvania. Agricultural Experiment Station	1	17
—— Prison Society	...	2
—— State Library	20	28
—— University	...	2
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery	...	6

	Vols.	Pphs.
Pennsylvania Railroad Co..	1	...
People's Institute. Roxbury, *Mass*.	...	1
Peoria, *Ill.* Public Library..	...	5
Perce, W. R. Providence, *R. I*.	1	...
Perkins Institute for the Blind. Boston.	...	1
Peterson, *Dr.* C. A. St. Louis	...	2
Phelps Settlement. N. Y. City.	...	1
Philadelphia. Academy of Sciences.	...	1
—— Board of Public Education.	...	3
—— Bureau of Water.	10	3
—— Citv Comptroller.	2	...
—— Common Council.	2	...
—— Fairmount Park Association.	...	3
—— Free Library.	...	4
—— Indian Rights Association.	...	3
—— Library Company.	...	2
—— Mercantile Library.	...	5
—— St. Mary's Street College Settlement.	...	6
—— Society for Organized Charity.	...	16
—— Vacant lots Cultivation Committee.	...	7
—— Yearly Meeting of Friends.	...	2
—— Zoölogical Society.	...	20
Philobiblon Club. Philadelphia.	...	1
Pittsburg. Association for Improvement of the Poor.	...	3
—— Board of Education.	...	1
Plymouth, *Eng.* Free Public Library.	...	7
Polytechnic Society of Kentucky.	...	11
Pomeroy, E. Newark, *N. J.*.	...	3
Pommer, F. St. Louis	1	77
Portland, *Me.* Public Library.	...	1
Portland, *Oregon.* Library Association.	...	10
Portsmouth, *Eng.* Public Libraries.	...	2
Poughkeepsie, *N. Y.* City Library.	...	2
Powers, *Dr.* E. M. Estate. St. Louis.	60	500
Pratt, F. S., and C. H. Boston.	1	...
Pratt Institute Free Library. Brooklyn	...	17
Preetorious, E. L. St. Louis.	1	...
Presbyterian Historical Society, Philadelphia...	...	22
Present Problems Publishing Co. *N. Y.*	...	2
Princeton University. Princeton, *N. J.*	...	1
Providence, *R. I.* Public Library.	...	4
Providence Athenaeum. Providence, *R. I.*	...	12
Purdue University. Lafayette, *Ind*.		48
Quincy, *Ill.* Public Library	...	5
Radcliffe, ——. St. Louis..	...	3
Railway Age. Chicago.	1	...
Rainwater, *Mrs.* C. C. St. Louis.	...	6
Redwood Library. Newport. *R. I.*	...	13
Reifsnider, *Mrs.* C. K. St. Louis.	2	...
Revell Publishing Co. *N. Y.*	1	...
Reynolds Library. Rochester, *N. Y.*	...	11
Rhode Island. Agricultural Experiment Station.	...	58
—— Board of State Charities and Corrections.	10	1
—— Commissioner of Public Schools.	2	1
—— Factory Inspectors.	4	...
—— Insurance Department..	14	14
—— Railroad Commissioners	1	...
—— Secretary of State.	2	...
Ritchie, J. Boston.	...	1
Roadside Settlement. Des Moines. *Iowa*.	...	1
Robinson, H. E. Maryville, *Mo*.	...	1
Rochester. Board of Education.	...	1
Roesler, F. E. Dallas, *Tex*..	...	1
Rutger's Scientific School. New Brunswick, N. J.	...	18
Rutland, *Vt.* Free Library Association.	...	7
Sadler, R. Dorking, *Eng.*	2	...
St. George Public Libraries. London.	...	3
St. Giles Public Library. London.	...	2
St. Ignatius College. Chicago	...	1
St. Ignatius College. San Francisco.	...	3
St. Joseph, *Mo.* Free Public Library.	...	7
St. Louis. Board of Education.	16	1
—— City Council.	4	...
—— City Register.	2	...
—— City Comptroller.	4	13
—— Health Dept.	1	12
—— Milk Inspector.	1	...
—— Water Commissioners..	...	7
—— Academy of Science.	...	15
—— Aged and Infirm Israelites.		3
—— Association of Painters and Sculptors.	...	1
—— Baptist Orphans Home..	...	1
—— Bethesda Foundlings Home.	...	28
—— Central Mission.	...	2
—— Children's Hospital.	...	6
—— College of Pharmacy..	...	2
—— College of Physicians and Surgeons.	...	2
—— Engineers' Club.	...	1
—— Florists' Club.	...	7
—— Froebel Society.	37	...
—— Liberty Non-Sectarian Mission.	...	9
—— Mercantile Library.	...	7
—— Merchants' Exchange.	2	...
—— Protestant Episcopal Church. Orphans Home	...	7
—— Provident Association...	...	1
—— Roman Catholic Orphan Asylum.	...	1
—— Social Settlement.	...	1
—— Turnverein		1
—— Woman's Exchange.	...	1
—— Y. M. C. A.	...	1
St. Louis Post Dispatch.	9	24
St. Louis Republic.	1	27
St. Louis University.	...	1

	Vols.	Pphs.
St. Paul, *Minn.* Public Library	...	2
St. Vincent's Institution. St. Louis	...	1
Salem, *Mass.* Public Library	...	37
San Francisco. Board of Supervisors	1	...
—— Board of Trade	...	4
—— Free Public Library	...	23
—— Mechanics' Institute	...	2
Sanders, *Dr.* E. St. Louis	...	1
Sauveur, L. Chicago	...	3
Schumacher, J. St. Louis	2	...
Schwab, J. C. Hartford, *Conn.*	...	1
Scranton, *Pa.* Public Library	...	3
Seattle, *Wash.* Chamber of Commerce	...	1
—— Library Commission	...	2
Sedalia, *Mo.* Public (Free) Library	...	1
Seeber, B. Florence, Italy	...	1
Sewall, Mrs. *M. W.* Indianapolis	2	17
Shakespeare Memorial Library. Stratford, *Eng.*	...	1
Sibley, *Dr.* J. T. St. Louis	...	16
Smith, *Miss* C. B. St. Louis	...	1
Smith, F. C. Rapid City, *S. D.*	...	2
Smith College. Northampton, *Mass.*	...	2
Smithsonian Institution	3	7
Social Reform Club. N. Y. City	...	2
Society for Study of Child Nature. *N. Y.*	...	1
South Carolina. Comptroller General	...	2
—— State Treasurer	...	1
South Dakota. Agricultural Experiment Station	...	30
—— Geological Survey	...	1
—— Secretary of State	3	...
—— State School of Mines	...	1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	...	1
—— Treasurer	...	2
South Orange, *N. J.* Free Public Library	...	1
Speck, *Mrs.* L. C. St. Louis	3	...
Springfield, *Mass.* City Library Association	...	13
Springfield, *O.* Public Library	...	1
Standard Theatre. St. Louis	1	...
Stechert, G. E. *N. Y.*	1	...
Stevens, B. F. London	1	...
Studhalter, R. J. St. Louis	2	...
Sturtevant Co. Boston	1	...
Syracuse, *N. Y.* Central Library	...	1
Tatum, J. E. St. Louis	11	...
Taussig, G. W. St. Louis	2	...
Taylor, W. B. A. St. Louis	...	7
Tedder, H. R. London	...	1
Tennessee. Bureau of Labor Statistics and Mines	...	1
—— Dept. of Agriculture	...	5
—— University	2	40
Tennessee Centennial Exposition	...	1
Texas. Agricultural Bureau	...	5
—— Comptroller	...	2
—— Dept. of Education	2	2
—— Geological Survey	...	2
—— Railroad Commission	...	4
Thayer, G. A. Cincinnati	...	1
Thomas, D. H. Baltimore	...	1
Thomas, W. L. St. Louis	2	...
Thompson, *Mrs.* W. H. St. Louis	38	...
Thurston, L. A. St. Joseph, *Mich.*	...	1
Tifft, W. S. Buffalo	1	...
Tokyo, *Japan.* Imperial University	...	2
—— Library	...	2
Toronto, *Can.* Public Library	...	2
—— Single Tax Association	...	20
Torrey, D. St. Louis	...	33
Tracy, *Miss* B. St. Louis	2	54
Trans-Mississippi and International Expo. Omaha	...	1
Trenton, *N. J.* Public Instruction Dept	...	1
Trinity College. Hartford, *Conn.*	...	1
Tuskegee Negro Conference. Tuskegee, *Ala.*	...	11
Twitchell, *Mrs.* E. S. Wollaston, *Mass.*	...	51
Union Pacific Railroad	...	2
U. S. Bureau of Education	1	15
—— Civil Service Commission	1	2
—— Commissioner of District of Columbia	...	3
—— Com. on Boundary Between Venezuela and Brit. Guiana	1	3
—— Dept. of Agriculture	1	102
—— Dept. of Interior	6	46
—— Dept. of Justice	...	2
—— Dept. of Labor	...	9
—— Dept. of State	2	9
—— District of Columbia. Public Schools	...	2
—— Fish Commission	3	8
—— General Land Office	...	4
—— Geological Survey	...	2
—— Interstate Commerce Commission	4	1
—— Library of Congress	1	...
—— Naval Observatory	...	2
—— Navy Dept.	1	13
—— Post Office Dept	...	2
—— Supt. of Documents	160	144
—— Treasury Dept.	37	69
—— War Dept.	11	69
University Publishing Co	10	...
Uruguay. Bureau d'Exchanges Internationaux de Publications	1	2
Utah. Agricultural Experiment Station	1	50
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	...	4
Vassar Bros. Institute. Poughkeepsie, *N. Y.*	...	5
Vassar College. Poughkeepsie, *N. Y.*	2	28
Venn, T. J. Chicago	1	...
Vermont. Agricultural Experiment Station	1	5
—— Dairymen's Association	...	1
—— Inspector of Finance	1	...
—— Library Commission	...	1
—— State Library	8	...
—— University	...	2
Victoria. *New South Wales.* Public Library	...	2
Virginia. Secretary of Commonwealth	2	...
—— State Board of Agriculture	3	...
Volta Bureau. Washington, *D. C.*	...	9
Wabash Railroad Co	...	4
Wagner, *Miss* S. St. Louis	...	1

St. Louis. Popocrat.....Weekly
—— Retriever.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Christian Advocate.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Critic.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Cycle News.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Finance.....Monthly
—— St. Louis Homestead.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Humorist.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Lumberman.....Monthly
—— St Louis Merchants' Journal.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Truth.....Weekly
—— Schalk.....Weekly
—— School and Home.....Fortnightly
—— Shoe and Leather Gazette.....Weekly
—— South Side Reporter.....Weekly
—— Spiritual Medium.....Weekly
—— Squib.....Weekly
—— States' Duty.....Monthly
—— Stoves and Hardware Reporter...Weekly
—— Student Life.....Monthly
—— War Cry.....Weekly
Salem, *Mass.* Essex Bulletin.....Irregular
—— Essex Institute Historical Collection.....Irregular
Salmon, *Idaho.* Lemhi Republic.....Weekly
Salt Lake City. Our Goat.....Monthly
San Antonio, *Tex.* Industrial World..Monthly
San Francisco. California Architect.....Monthly
—— Chrysanthemum.....Monthly
—— Insurance Sun.....Monthly
Mining and Scientific Press.....Weekly
San Francisco. Something Different.....Weekly
—— Star.....Weekly
South Gastonbury, *Conn.* Fruits of Water.....Monthly
Springfield, *Mo.* Over the Tea Cups..Weekly
Stuttgart, *Ger.* Antiquitäten-Zeitung..Weekly
Syracuse, *N. Y.* Journal of Pedagogy.....Quarterly
Tennessee City, *Tenn.* Coming Nation.....Weekly
Topeka. Western School Journal.....Monthly
Toronto. Canada Educational.....Monthly
—— Searchlight.....Monthly
Urbana, *O.* New Philosophy.....Monthly
—— University Courant.....Monthly
Vineland, *N. J.* Kosmos.....Monthly
Wardner, *B. C.* International.....Weekly
Washington, *D. C.* American Federationist.....Monthly
—— Forester.....Monthly
—— U. S. Congressional Records.
—— U. S. Consular Reports.....Monthly
—— U. S. Consular Reports—Special, Irregular
—— U. S. Patent Office. Official Gazette.....Weekly
—— U. S. Post Office Dept. Postal Record.....Monthly
Waterbury, *Conn.* Waterbury Magazine.....Monthly
Wilmington, *Del.* Justice.....Weekly

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Ft. Wayne, *Ind.* Ft. Wayne Medical Magazine.....Monthly
New York. American Druggist..Semi-Monthly
Paris. Clinique Opthalmologique.....Monthly
St. Louis. Clinique.....Monthly
St. Louis. Medical Brief.....Monthly
—— Medical Fortnightly.....Semi-Monthly
—— Medical Mirror.....Monthly
—— Meyer Brothers Druggist.....Monthly

NEWSPAPERS.

Algiers, *La.* Algiers Herald.....Weekly
Chicago. Chicago Evening Lamp.....Weekly
—— Chicago Nederlander.....Weekly
Cincinnati. Light of Truth.....Weekly
Cleveland, *O.* Cleveland Citizen.....Weekly
East St. Louis, *Mo.* Daily Democrat.....Daily
—— East St. Louis Gazette.....Daily
—— East St. Louis Journal.....Daily
Edwardsville, *Ill.* Edwardsville Republican.....Weekly
Ft. Madison, *Ia.* Ft. Madison Democrat.....Weekly
Grand Junction, *Col.* Daily Sentinel.....Daily
Kansas City. Kas. City Times..Semi-Weekly
Lebanon, *Ill.* Lebanon Journal.....Weekly
Melbourne, *Aus.* Australasian.....Weekly
Milwaukee, *Wis.* Kurzer Polski.....Daily
New Orleans, *La.* New Orleans Daily City Item.....Daily
New York *(City).* Dolgeville Herald..Weekly
St. Louis, *Mo.* America.....Daily
St. Louis. Anzeiger des Westens.....Daily
—— Chronicle.....Daily
—— Church Progress and Catholic World.....Weekly
—— Colman's Rural World.....Weekly
—— Evening Journal.....Daily
—— Globe-Democrat.....Daily
—— Jewish Voice.....Weekly
—— Labor.....Weekly
—— Post-Dispatch.....Daily
—— Republic.....Daily
—— Star.....Daily
—— Tageblatt.....Daily
—— Tribune.....Daily
—— Western Watchman.....Weekly
—— Westliche Post.....Daily
Superior, *Wis.* Superior Leader.....Daily
Sydney, *Aus.* Sydney Morning Herald.....Daily
Victoria, *B. C.* Victoria Daily Times.....Daily

DELIVERY STATIONS.

No.	Location.	Proprietor.	Delivery Days.
1	Garrison & Easton Aves	W. B. Pilkington	Daily.
2	Grand & St. Louis Aves	A. Whitlock	Daily.
3	Grand & Nat. Bridge Rd	A. J. Hoenny	Mon. & Thur.
4	Newstead & St. Louis Aves	A. Ludwig	Daily.
5	E. Grand & 20th St.	Theo. H. Wurmb	Mon. & Thur.
6	3625 N. Broadway	Waldeck Bros	Daily.
7	14th & Monroe	F. H. Fricke	Daily.
8	Gravois & Arsenal St	B. Jost	Daily.
9	Bates & Virginia Ave	Bates St. Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
10	1701 Park Ave	Wm. C. Bolm	Daily.
11	Michigan & Kansas St	Schneider's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
12	Menard & Barton Sts	Alf. J. Wittmann	Wed. & Sat.
13	7618 S. Broadway	Hermann Bros.	Tues. & Fri.
14	Pestalozzi & Salena Sts.	Kaltwasser Drug Co	Daily.
15	Meramec & Virginia Aves	R. C. Reilly	Tues. & Fri.
16	Tower Grove & Manchester	Chas. Lehmann	Daily.
17	919 N. Sarah St	F. L. Richt	Daily.
18	Cabanne Arcade	A. E. Suppiger	Daily.
19	Semple & Easton	E. A. Bernius	Daily.
20	Marcus & Easton	H. H. Temm	Daily.
21	Euclid & Delmar	Wm. K. Ilhardt	Daily.
22	Grand & Finney Aves	F. C. Garthoffner	Daily.
23	Broadway & Keokuk	R. S. Vitt	Daily.
24	Park & Compton Aves	J. V. Fischer	Daily.
25	Lafayette & California Aves	F. C. Meyer	Daily.
26	Chouteau & California Aves	Rodemich Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
27	Grand & Pine	J. Kennedy	Daily.
28	Cheltenham	Cheltenham Drug Store	Mon. & Thur.
29	23rd & Dodier	J. Tontz	Daily.
30	Leffingwell & Cass Aves	J. W. Westmann	Daily.
31	Grand & Shenandoah	Wm. F. Ittner	Daily.
32	Laclede & Boyle	Geo. B. Smith	Tues. & Fri.
33	Goode & Easton Aves	Jno. A. Guttmann	Daily.
34	12th & Chouteau Ave	F. Angermueller	Daily.
35	Morganford Rd. & Conn. Ave.	E. A. Schwenker	Mon. & Thur.
36	4103 Natural Bridge Rd	Mrs. L. H. Miller	Tues. & Fri.
37	Broadway & Barton	Coeln Drug Co	Wed. & Sat.
39	Westmoreland Hotel Drug Store	Leo Ruckersfeldt	Tues. & Fri.
40	Manchester & Ecoff Ave	Benton Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
41	2 N. Jefferson Ave.	A. F. Ramsey	Wed. & Sat.
42	Jefferson & Washington Aves	Louis Lehmann	Tues. & Fri.
43	4865 St. Louis Ave	J. W. White	Wed. & Sat.
44	Broadway & Marion	S. Pdwy. Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
45	25th & Bremen Ave	Wellmeyer's Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
46	Shenandoah & Jefferson Aves	Theo. Hagenow	Mon. & Thur.
47	Academy & Suburban	Raymond Pl. Pharmacy	Daily.
48	1827 Cass Ave	C. W. Tomlohrde	Wed. & Sat.

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ST. LOUIS, MO., April 20th, 1900.

To Hon. Henry Ziegenhein, Mayor of St. Louis:

DEAR SIR:—In making report for the year ending April 30th, 1899, the Board of Directors of the Public Library have little occasion to do more than call attention to the report of the Librarian for the same period. This report, which is submitted herewith, shows in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Board, the present state of its finances, and the administration of the Library.

The destruction by fire of a number of the buildings on the ground heretofore purchased as a site for a library building, materially reduced for a time the income of the Board. The money received on account of insurance was applied to a reduction of the incumbrance upon the property, and this having been further reduced by payments made from time to time, the saving on interest account has fully offset the loss of revenue occasioned by the fire.

A new lease of the Library quarters has been made with the School Board, at a rent of twenty-five hundred dollars per year less than the former rate.

The number of books has been increased, new delivery stations have been established, and the usefulness of the Library has been augmented by all the means within the power of the Board.

It is gratifying to note that every extension of the facilities of the Library has been met by an increased use of them. More people are availing themselves of its advantages than ever before.

The large incumbrance upon the property of the Board, with the interest charge it entails, materially reduces the revenues available for administration purposes; but this incumbrance is being steadily, though slowly, reduced, with a consequent steady, though slow, improvement of the Board's finances.

The one thing essential to make the Library the beneficent agency it is capable of being, is an appropriate building of its own. If the ground now occupied by the Exposition building could be acquired, it would be a long step toward securing the building. This ground belongs to the city. It was in part bought for, and in part dedicated to, park purposes. It should not be permitted to be used for purposes of private gain or advantage. Consistently with its uses as a park, a public library may be constructed and maintained upon it. We believe that public opinion is decidedly in favor of the city's resuming this tract of land and restoring it to appropriate public uses. We sincerely trust that the proper steps may be taken to bring about this desirable result.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. LEHMANN,
President of the Board.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public Library:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my sixth annual report as Librarian, for the year ending April 30, 1899.

During the year 7,896 volumes were added to the collection, of which 1,871 were gifts; more than 12,000 new readers were registered; four new delivery stations were established, making a total of 38; the home issue increased to 698,339 volumes; and the total issue fell little short of the million mark.

FINANCES.

The following table exhibits in detail the receipts and expenditures. Some points in the financial record of the year deserve special attention; and other items of interest will be better understood if restated in another form. The essential facts are as follows:—

The revenue from the city tax of one-fifth of a mill was $71,340.13, an increase of $3,701.68 over the previous year.

The desk receipts (chiefly from fines and the issue of extra volumes) amounted to $3,901.72, an increase of $61.86 over the previous year.

Rentals from real estate amounted to $12,328.55; and during the year payments were made on real estate aggregating $88,347.95. Of this sum, $40,000 (of which $39,552.72 was insurance on five buildings burned) was a principal payment on the new building site. On this account, also, two interest notes were paid to the St. Louis Trust Co. amounting to $19,776.25. Final payments of $15,450 to the Lumsden heirs and $8,586 to D. Nugent were made on the S. E. corner of Locust and 17th Sts. Additional expenses connected with the real estate purchase and the fire were $1,367.51 paid to the Trust Co. for title investigations and conveyancing, $1,978.70 to J. D. Fitzgibbon for wrecking burned buildings, $1,008.21 for repairs on property and commissions for rent collection, and $181.18 for miscellaneous expenses. A detailed statement of the payments made on real estate purchases up to January, 1899, was included in my last annual report.

The total expenditure for maintenance was $55,811.21, which is $2,640.69 less than that of the previous year.

The cost of quarters occupied appears under seven items in the table of expenditures: Rent, light, elevator salaries, elevator power, elevator Sundays and holidays, fuel Sundays and holidays, and water. The sum of these was $10,655.56. This included light, power, and elevator salaries for 13 months. By the terms of the new lease, which took effect March 1, 1899, all these items are included in a gross rental of $7,500 a year. This is a saving of, in a round sum, $2,500 a year. It is also a saving in the trouble of keeping so many different accounts.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 10, 1899.

DR.

To bal. in City Treas., April 11, 1898		$ 5,692 49	
Collections, April 11, 1898—April 10, 1899		71,340 13	
			$77,032 62
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 11, 1898			14,700 70
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1898			96 23
Collection of Duplicates			
Cards sold	711 85		
Magazines sold	44 73		
		756 58	
Fines		2,514 68	
Books sold, lost and paid for		165 80	
Catalogues		203 25	
Lost cards		194 04	
Postal cards, (for books reserved)		17 67	
Miscellaneous		49 70	
Total desk receipts,			3,901 72
Rent (from property bought in April, 1898)			12,328 55
Interest			476 24
Boiler sold			75 00
Wreckage			115 00
Insurance			39,552 72
Total			148,278 78

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By salaries			24,762 26
Books, Main Collection		6,101 13	
Collection of Duplicates		213 06	
Binding		5,525 65	
Periodicals		1,115 47	
			12,955 31
Building (real estate purchased)		88,347 95	
Rent		5,416 66	
Light		1,979 34	
Elevator salary		1,462 50	
Elevator power		1,282 89	
Elevator (Sundays and holidays)		333 02	
Fuel (Sundays and holidays)		103 15	
Water		78 00	
Insurance, Library	$ 558 75		
" Real estate	902 15	1,460 90	
			100,954 70
Expense.			
Printing and Stationery		2,226 54	
Advertising		463 68	
Delivery Stations		1,725 50	
Postage		252 46	
Expense		729 87	
Supplies		88 84	
			5,486 89
Total expenditures (including real estate investment)			144,159 16
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 12, 1899			1,575 59
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1899			76 07
Bal. in City Treasury Fund, April 10, 1899			2,467 96
			$148,278 78

REGISTRATION.

The total registration up to April 30, 1898, was 46,636. Additions to April 30, 1899, brought up the total to 58,951. Details are given in the following table :—

Registration to April 30, 1898	46,636	
Additions to April 30, 1899	12,315	
Total registration to April 30, 1899		58,951
Expired	12,357	
Less re-registered	4,095	8,262
Net registration		50,689
Men	12,578	
Women	14,733	
Children	23,299	
Institutions	79	
Net registration		50,689
Cancelled	281	
Guarantors withdrawn	454	
Held for fines	3,000	3,735
Total cards in force		46,954

	Extra cards.	Teachers' cards.
Issued to April 30, 1898	3,765	915
Additions to April 10, 1899	1,481	293
Total	5,246	1,208

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

The demands on our maintenance fund for payments on the building site necessarily cut down the book fund from the time the first real estate investment was made. The purchases for the year numbered 5,579 volumes. Adding to this periodicals and pamphlets bound and gifts to the number of 1,871 volumes, we have a total of 7,896 volumes catalogued and placed on the shelves. Deductions for books worn out, lost and paid for, etc., leave a net increase of 6,157 volumes. Full particulars appear in the following tables :

ADDITIONS FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1899.

Classes.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	78		78
Religion	134		134
Social Science	1,177		1,177
Natural Science	757		757
Art and Poetry	430		430
Fiction	1,231	451	1,682
Juvenile Literature	2,685		2,685
Literary Miscellany	184		184
Travels and History	409		409
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	360		360
	7,445	451	7,896

Source.			
Purchase	5,128	451	5,579
Gift	1,871		1,871
Pamphlets, bound	28		28
Periodicals, bound	418		418
	7,445	451	7,896
Language.			
English	7,056	451	7,507
French	143		143
German	132		132
Other	14		14
	7,445	451	7,896

48 periodicals were purchased to complete sets.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned		1,472
Lost and paid for		146
Sold, exchanged and returned to government		70
Charged to card-holders	46	
Drawn for use in reading room	5	51
Total		1,739
Total additions		7,896
Less above		1,739
Net increase		6,157

Of the 1,472 volumes worn out, 532 were replaced by new copies; and of the 146 lost and paid for, 70 were replaced.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS.

While the greater part of our book fund has of necessity been devoted to meeting the demand for popular books, and in particular the wants of the increasing number of juvenile readers, the interests of students and the more serious class of readers have not been overlooked. Many volumes of solid and enduring worth have been added to the collection.

The following list will serve to illustrate the character of the more costly purchases of the year:

AMERICAN Philosophical Soc. Transactions. 36v. O.
BIRD, G. W. Wanderings in Burma.
BROOKE, S. A. History of early English literature. 2v.
BROTHERS, A. Photography.
BROWNE, J. C. Lambeth Palace.
BROWNING, R. *and* E. Letters. 2v.
BRUGMANN, K. Comparative grammar of the Indo-Germanic languages. v. 3-4 and index.
CENTURY atlas of the world.
CHILD, F. J. English and Scottish popular ballads. 5v. Q.
COOK, *Capt.* Journal during his first voyage round the world.
CRAWFORD, F. M. Ave Roma immortalis. 2v.
DONKIN, B. The heat efficiency of steam boilers.

ELLIOTT, C. W. Book of American interiors.
FERGUSSON, J. The Parthenon.
FORD, P. L., *ed.* Essays on the constitution of the U. S.
GORHAM, G. C. Life and public services of Edwin M. Stanton. 2v.
GRIFFITHS, T. M. Non-secret formulas.
HAMERTON, P. G. Drawing and engraving.
HARPER'S dictionary of classical literature and antiquities.
HASTINGS, J., *and others.* Dictionary of the Bible. v. 1.
HEDIN, S. Through Asia. 2v.
IRISH monthly magazine. 23v. O.
JEFFERSON, T. Writings; ed. by P. L. Ford. v. 9.
JOHNSON, B. E. Atlas of St. Louis County.
KING, C. R. Life and correspondence of Rufus King. v. 5.
LANDOR, A. H. S. In the forbidden land. 2v.
LARPENTEUR, C. Forty years a fur trader. 2v.
LODGE, H. C. The story of the Revolution. 2v.
LOW, S., *pub.* English catalogue of books. 1890-97.
MCCARTHY, J. Story of Gladstone's life.
MACEY, F. W. Specifications in detail.
MENDELEEFF, D. Principles of chemistry. 2v. O.
MONROE, J. Writings. v. 2.
MOSES, J. Illinois. 2v.
MUNRO, R. The lake dwellings of Europe.
NANSEN, F. Farthest north. 2v.
PEABODY Inst. Library. 2d catalogue. v. 3.
PEARY, R. E. Northward over the great ice. 2v. O.
PHIPSON, C. B. The redemption of labour. 2v.
PRATT, A. T. C. People of the period.
RAND, McNally & Co.'s enlarged business atlas and shippers' guide. 29th ed.
REVUE encyclopédique. 1891-98. 8v.
SUFFOLK and Berkshire, *Earl of.* Encyclopædia of sport. 2v.
TAVERNIER, J. B. Travels in India. 2v.
THOMPSON, S. P. Dynamo-electric machinery.
THUE, W. C. A B C universal telegraphic code. O.
TOYNBEE, P. Dictionary of Dante.
TREITSCHKE, H. v. Politik. 2v.
VONDEL. Lucifer; tr. by C. Van Noppen.
WEBB, S. *and* B. Industrial democracy. 2v.
WILKINS, W. H. Romance of Isabel, Lady Burton. 2v.
WOODBURY, W. E. Encyclopædic dictionary of photography.
ZEITSCHRIFT für Criminal-Anthropologie.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

The donations and exchanges show the unprecedented total of 2,492 volumes and 8,490 pamphlets. These came from 1,508 sources, a list of which is given in an appendix. The steady increase in the receipts from this source is the result of systematic and persistent effort. Much greater returns could be obtained through exchanges if we had room for the orderly arrangement of our duplicate books and pamphlets. Piled on the floor and stowed away in corners, much material that would bring valuable exchanges is wholly unavailable.

During the year we returned to the U. S. Superintendent of Public Documents 761 volumes and 43 pamphlets, and sent 100 volumes and 36 pamphlets to foreign and 24 volumes and 11 pamphlets to domestic exchanges, making a total of 892 volumes and 90 pamphlets.

Among the more notable gifts of the year were 19 volumes and 62 pamphlets, chiefly Jewish literature, from the late Isidor Bush; a complete set of bound volumes of the St. Louis Tageblatt from the editor, Dr. A. Hepner; 16 volumes of Directories of the principal cities of the United States from Mr. D. B. Gould; a beautiful folio, "Le Musée National à Amsterdam," from the Consul General of the Netherlands; 14 important publications of the government of New South Wales, from the N. S. W. Public Library; 10 volumes of the Index, from Mr. F. M. Holland, Concord, Mass.; and the regular annual addition to the McAnally Collection from Dr. D. R. McAnally.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

The inventory recently completed, the result of which will appear in my next report, will furnish a basis for a more accurate statement of the contents of the Library than can be given now. Based on the inventory of 1897, the following table shows approximately the

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, APRIL 30, 1899.

Classes.	Main Coll.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	1,378		1,378
Religion	4,825		4,825
Social Science	17,269		17,269
Natural Science	16,162	4	16,166
Art and Poetry	7,100	7	7,107
Fiction	23,623	1,662	25,285
Juvenile Literature	20,602	2	20,604
Literary Miscellany	6,252	16	6,268
Geography and History	15,223	14	15,237
Cyclopædias and Magazines	11,023	4	11,027
Total	123,457	1,709	125,166
Unentered duplicates and books and periodicals not yet catalogued, (about)			5,500
			130,666
Deducting books worn out, lost and paid for, etc			1,739
Total estimated contents of the Library, April 30, 1899			128,927

BINDING.

Besides periodicals and collections of pamphlets, a number of books received in paper covers were bound, making a total of 1,450 volumes bound for the first time, at an average cost of 55 cents per volume.

11,719 volumes were rebound at a cost of $4,978.08, or an average of 42 cents.

A new contract made in February gives a somewhat lower scale of prices and excludes all charge for replacing pockets. On our present amount of binding this will effect a saving of four or five hundred dollars a year.

Besides these volumes bound or rebound by contract, 8,949 volumes

were repaired in the Library at a cost of $332.96 for wages and material, an average of four cents per volume. This repair work lessens considerably the amount of rebinding. It includes various grades from patching or replacing a few leaves to providing new covers for a volume. Of the total, 174 volumes were thus practically rebound.

CIRCULATION.

The number of books issued for home reading increased from 647,171 to 698,339, a gain of 51,138, or 7.42 per cent; while the total issue increased from 920,500 to 959,854. The daily average issue in all departments (on week-days) was 3,096. The average Sunday issue was 295. The largest issue in one day was 5,646 on Monday, Feb. 27; the smallest, 1,760, on Thursday, Oct. 20. Full details appear in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1899.

	HOME ISSUE.				LIBRARY ISSUE.		
	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	Schools.	Total.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total
May	32043	18995	6058	57096	5951	16427	79474
June	29438	15667	932	46037	4188	12956	63181
July	32487	13320		45807	3759	10389	59955
August	32861	13207		46086	4277	9380	59725
September	32282	16802		49084	4823	14207	68114
October	35172	13134		48306	5584	15074	68964
November	36849	14483	13410	64742	5856	16988	87586
December	36492	15435	15816	67743	5446	19248	92437
January	40386	16049	9642	66077	6610	20730	93417
February	41171	18365	10007	69543	6837	19924	96304
March	42920	23478	6294	72692	7296	22658	102646
April	37659	21466	6019	65144	5105	17802	88051
Total, 1898-'99	429760	200401	68178	698339	65732	195783	959854
Total, 1897-'98	434811	166117	46243	647171	69070	204259	920500
Gain		34284	21935	51138			39354
Loss	5051				3338	9476	
Per cent. of gain				7.42			4.11

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	3380	.48	1366	2.08	4746	.62
Religion	3533	.51	2095	3.19	5628	.73
Social Science	7497	.08	5015	7.62	12512	1.63
Natural Science	12901	1.85	6922	10.56	19823	2.60
Art	6721	.96	3966	6.03	10687	1.40
Poetry	10028	1.43	3933	5.90	13961	1.80
Fiction	363251	52.01	12780	19.44	376031	49.21
Juvenile	245262	35.27	1307	1.97	246569	32.27
Literary Miscellany	11194	1.60	4838	7.35	16032	2.10
Travels	8396	1.20	3512	5.34	11908	1.55
History	9556	1.37	3733	5.67	13289	1.73
Biography	8829	1.26	5362	8.18	14191	1.85
Cyclopædias and Magazines	6791	.98	10903	6.58	17694	2.21
Total	698339	100.00	65732	100.00	764071	100.00

DELIVERY STATIONS AND DEPOSITORIES.

By the addition of four new stations the number of delivery stations was increased to 38. With the exception of three, these are all located in drug stores, the proprietors of which find their compensation for the service in the custom thus attracted to their stores. Besides these stations nineteen Sunday-schools were supplied with collections of books ranging from 30 to 300 volumes. There were also six other depositories with from 40 to 175 volumes. A complete list of stations and depositories, together with the circulation through each, will be found in an appendix.

Readers may secure all the privileges of the circulating department without coming to the Library. During the year 6,278 persons registered through the delivery stations. The total circulation through the stations and depositories was 268,579, an increase of 56,219 over the previous year. The items were as follows: —

Stations.	
Home issue	181,124
Supplementary reading to public schoools	72,738
Sunday-schools	14,717
	268,579

SUPPLEMENTARY READING IN THE SCHOOLS.

In addition to the circulation through stations and depositories, the use of books was extended by a system of traveling libraries in the public schools. By the middle of the year we had 209 sets of books, numbering 6,167 volumes, passing from one school to another in accordance with a systematic plan. These books, selected with the aid of a committee of principals, were nearly all for the first four grades. Each box contained 30 copies of a book adapted to a certain grade, and was kept six weeks by each school and then passed on to the next school on the prearranged list. Towards the end of the year, *i. e.*, March 1st, 1899, a change of plan was adopted. It was found that some principals and teachers did not care for the books and allowed the boxes to lie unopened, while others were eager to get them. Instead, therefore, of starting the boxes on a regular round, they are kept till called for, and a list of the sets on hand is sent each month to every principal. This work could be greatly extended if we had funds to buy the necessary books. Thus far we have not been able to supply even the lowest grades, though a few sets have been provided for the seventh and eighth grades. Up to the close of the year only 26 schools had used the books to any extent. They were the following: —

Arlington, Bates, Benton, Carondelet, Carr, Chouteau, Charless, Clay, Clinton, Columbia, Cote Brilliante, Divoll, Dozier, Dumas, Elleardville, Fremont, Gratiot, Hodgen, Meramec, Marquette, Mt. Pleasant, Penrose, Stoddard, Walnut Park, Webster, Wheatley.

The Library was open every day in the year. The figures for Sunday and holiday issue, maximum and minimum issue and daily averages will be found in the following summaries; also the issue on each of the five legal holidays. Local and occasional holidays are not included, as they differ but little from other days.

SUMMARIES.

	1897-98	1898-99
Home issue, main library	630,256	683,224
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	16,915	15,115
Total home issue	647,171	698,339
		647,171
Gain in home issue		51,168
Library issue, reference included	69,070	65,732
	65,732	
Gain in library issue	3,338	
Total issue of books	716,241	764,071
Reading room issue	204,259	195,783
Total issue in all departments	920,500	959,854
Gain in 1898-1899		39,454

Largest week day issue, Monday, Feb. 27, 1899.

Desk issue	2,759	
Juvenile department	561	
Delivery stations	1,271	
Total home issue		4,591
Reading room issue	838	
Reference room issue	130	
Library use	87	
Total library issue		1,055
Total		5,646

Smallest week day issue, Thursday, Oct. 20, 1898.

Desk issue	628	
Juvenile department	119	
Delivery stations	378	
Total home issue		1,125
Reading room issue	495	
Reference room issue	65	
Library issue	75	
Total library issue		635
Total		1,760

Largest Sunday issue, March 5, 1899.

Reading-room issue	418
Library issue	116
Total	534

Smallest Sunday issue, August 28, 1898.

Reading-room	103
Library use	21
Total	124

Average Sunday issue.

Library issue	55
Reading-room	240
Total	295

Total Sunday issue.

Library issue	2,981
Reading-room	13,009
Total	15,990

Average daily issue.

Home issue	2,253
Library issue	181
Reading-room issue	525
Total	2,959

Average week-day issue.

Home issue	2,253
Library issue	212
Reading-room issue	631
Total	3,096

HOLIDAY ISSUE.

	Home Issue.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
Decoration Day	1,709	164	642	2,515
Fourth of July	65	19	124	208
Labor Day	1,392	121	480	1,993
Election Day	986	163	574	1,723
Thanksgiving Day	1,375	92	553	2,020
Christmas Day	152	86	376	614
New Year's Day	533	96	677	1,306
Washington's Birthday	2,539	284	815	3,638
Total	8,751	1,025	4,241	14,017
Average holiday issue	1,094	128	530	1,752

MISCELLANEOUS WORK OF THE CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

9,191 first and 2,370 second notices were sent for books overdue, and 99 guarantors were notified.

28,256 new book cards were written to replace those filled.

Of the 698,339 volumes issued during the year, 46 books were charged to card holders and not returned, and 19 were lost through the delivery stations —a total of 65, or less than one in 100,000 books issued. There were also four books drawn for library use and not returned.

READING ROOM.

No account can be kept of the visitors to the newspaper reading-room. The record of periodicals drawn for use in the general reading-room shows a total of 195,783. The two reading-rooms are supplied with 580 newspapers and periodicals. Of these, 360 are donations, which are duly listed in an appendix. There are 39 daily and 28 weekly newspapers. The list of periodicals is made up of 465 American publications, 27 English, 14 German, 5 French, 1 Italian and 1 Polish.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

The wisdom of taking for the use of children the room formerly containing the medical collection has been fully approved. Every afternoon and all day Saturday it is thronged with boys and girls eagerly examining books on the shelves, selecting volumes to carry home and sitting at the tables reading books or magazines. The room has been made more attractive and good reading stimulated by a number of picture charts and lists in connection with the birthdays of great men,—statesmen, artists, poets, etc. These lists, with Thanksgiving and Christmas lists, have been sent to the public schools. Numerous lists of books adapted to the various grades, books to be used in connection with the study of the geography and history of the principal countries of the world, have also been supplied to the schools and given out to parents and children at the Library.

Miss Krug, in charge of the Juvenile Department, visited a number of the schools with a view to finding out their wants and getting into closer touch with the teachers. All the schools within a small radius of the Library make constant use of its privileges. Teachers from these schools have expressed in the warmest terms their appreciation of its helpfulness to them in their arduous work. Many of the children are of foreign parentage, Polish and Russian Jews, Germans, Italians, French, etc.: these children by reading many books, grasp English more quickly than formerly, and soon gain a better vocabulary and better power of expression. But the moral effect is the chief benefit. The reading of attractive books gives an interest that nothing else can supply. Interest is the first essential of acquirement and the foundation of good order. Not only do children who read much, progress more rapidly in their studies, but in those schools where most reading is done there is least friction between teacher and pupils. The principal in whose school the greatest time and attention are given to collateral, or general, reading, tells me that his teachers give no thought to discipline. That takes care of itself. The children are all so interested that they have little disposition for "mischief"—the name we give to the natural activity of a child, which, denied a healthful, seeks a harmful form of expression. Heretofore the whole issue of the Juvenile collection has appeared in the general table under that head. This year, for the first time, a record was kept by classes, which appears as follows:

JUVENILE ISSUE, MAY, 1898, TO MAY, 1899.

May	7,818
June	6,854
July	7,175
August	7,722
September	5,783
October	7,119
November	8,103
December	7,461
January	8,364
February	7,988
March	9,794
April	8,464
Total	92,645

CLASSIFIED JUVENILE ISSUE.

	Issue.	Per Cent.
Fiction	80,200	86.57
Science	4,959	5.23
Literature	1,206	1.30
Travel	1,917	2.07
History	2,800	3.02
Biography	1,563	1.69
	92,645	100.00

READING LISTS.

The help and guidance and stimulus of reading lists has not been confined to public school pupils. All through the year a bulletin board was kept full of reading and reference lists. Every topic of popular interest was thus treated. Immediately upon the death of a distinguished man a list of books relating to him, together with books written by him, was hung up. All special occasions, such as Decoration Day, Arbor Day, Hallowe'en, etc., were treated in the same way. The entries on these lists, kept on cards, form a permanent subject index. The bulletin lists of this year were as follows:

more of its wealthy citizens embrace the opportunity to confer the highest of blessings on increasing thousands for untold generations?

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

April 13, 1900.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius, personally known to me, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1898, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this twenty-first day of April, 1900.

(Seal.) H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 10, 1902.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 21st day of April, 1900.

(Seal.) GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public.

My term expires March 14, 1901.

APPENDIX No. 1.

LIST OF DELIVERY STATIONS AND DEPOSITORIES WITH THEIR ISSUE.

LIST OF DELIVERY STATIONS.

Station.	*Location.*	*Proprietor.*	*Delivery Days.*
1	Garrison & Easton Aves	Garrison Pharmacy	Daily.
2	Glasgow & St. Louis Aves	A. Vogelsang	Mon. & Thur.
3	Grand & Natural Bridge Rd	A. J. Hoenny	Mon. & Thur.
4	Cottage & Taylor Aves.	Hahn's Pharmacy	Daily.
5	East Grand & 20th St.	Theo. H. Wurmb.	Mon. & Thur.
6	Salisbury & 11th St.	Theo. H. Wurmb.	Mon. & Thur.
7	Madison & 11th St.	Alf. W. Pauley	Mon. & Thur.
8	Gravois & Arsenal Aves	B. Jost	Daily.
9	Bates & Virginia Aves.	Bates St. Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
10	Park & Mississippi Aves	G. H. J. Andreas	Daily.
11	6343 Michigan Ave.	A. Dreisoerner	Tues. & Fri.
12	Barton & Menard.	Bendel's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
13	Broadway & Schirmer St.	L. F. Waibel	Tues. & Fri.
14	Pestalozzi & Salena Sts.	Kaltwasser Drug Co.	Daily.
15	Meramec & Virginia Aves.	R. C. Reilly	Tues. & Fri.
16	Manchester & Tower Grove Avs.	Chas. Lehmann	Wed. & Sat.
17	Delmar Ave. & Sarah St.	Delmar Ave. Pharmacy.	Wed. & Sat.
18	Cabanne Arcade	A. E. Suppiger.	Wed. & Sat.
19	Semple & Easton Aves	E. A. Bernius	Wed. & Sat.
20	Marcus & Easton Aves	H. H. Temm & Son	Daily.
21	Bayard Ave & Suburban tracks.	Bayard Ave. Pharmacy.	Wed. & Sat.
22	Grand & Finney Aves.	F. C. Garthoffner.	Daily.
23	Broadway & Keokuk St.	R. S. Vitt	Daily.
24	Compton & Park Aves.	J. V. Fischer	Tues. & Fri.
25	Lafayette & Nebraska Aves.	Otto Sassmann	Daily.
26	Union Station.	Terminal Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
27	Grand & Lindell Aves	D. A. Byrne.	Wed. & Sat.
28	Cheltenham.	Jno. Goehring.	Thursday.
29	Benton & 22nd Sts.	J. A. Fritz	Mon. & Thur.
30	Jefferson & Cass Aves	Phoenix Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
31	Grand Ave. & Shenandoah St.	Wm. F. Ittner.	Tues. & Fri.
32	Boyle & Laclede Aves	Geo. W. Smith	Wed. & Sat.
33	Goode & Easton Aves	F. M. Buch.	Daily.
34	Chouteau Ave. & 12th St.	W. F. Angermueller	Tues. & Fri.
35	Morgan Ford Rd. & Scanlan Ave.	E. A. Schwenker	Tues. & Fri.
36	4403 Natural Bridge Road	C. E. Hammond.	Mon. & Thur.
37	Broadway & Lami St.	Paul A. Groene.	Tues. & Fri.
38	1807 N. Grand Ave.	S. Thatcher	Mon. & Thur.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Name of School.	Number of Books Loaned.
Beckville M. E	91
Bowman M. E.	75
Church of the Messiah	125
Church of the Redeemer	99
Compton Heights Christian	181
Cook Ave. Presbyterian	100
Delmar Ave. Baptist	104
Ethical Sunday School	106
Fountain Pk. Congregational	248
Lafayette Park M. E.	337
McCausland Ave. Cong	29
Messiah Mission	95
Oak Hill Congregational	51
Olivet Presbyterian	114
St. John's M. E.	40
St. Philip's Episcopal	62
Shaare Emeth	91
Trinity Episcopal	24
Union M. E	158
Other depositories.	
Carondelet School	103
Fremont School	179
Lindell Ry. Reading Club	100
Purina Mills	50
Self Culture Club	40
Social Settlement League	81
	2,683

STATION ISSUE.

Station.	Total Issue.
1	4,510
2	7,303
3	3,063
4	8,933
5	5,147
6	3,939
7	4,443
8	4,933
9	1,400
10	5,643
11	3,845
12	3,170
13	1,711
14	15,374
15	3,472
16	5,335
17	3,332
18	6,114
19	4,577
20	8,142
21	3,173
22	11,981
23	6,483
24	3,256
25	10,869
26	1,474
27	3,252
28	952
29	4,682
30	2,749
31	1,519
32	1,016
33	8,924
34	2,320
35	619
36	2,963
37	699
38	364
Power-houses	2,689
Second Baptist	6,005
Y. M. C. A.	10
Total	181,124
Suppl. reading	68,178
S. S. Repts.	12,185
Total	261,487

APPENDIX No. II.

DONATIONS MAY 1, 1898—APRIL 30, 1899.

2,492 volumes and 8,490 pamphlets were received as exchanges and donations from 1,508 sources, as follows:

	Vols.	Pphs.
Aberdeen, *Scotland*. Public Library		.1
Adams, C. F. Boston		2
Adler, C. Washington, *D. C*		1
Aguilar Free Library. N. Y. City		25
Alabama. Adjutant-General		1
—— Agricultural Experiment Station		13
—— Auditor		4
—— Board of Managers of Convicts		1
—— Geological Survey		1
Alabama Industrial and Scientific Society		2
Alabama State Bar Association		9
Albert, *Miss* M. St. Louis	18	
Allen, C. C. St. Louis		1
American Academy of Political and Social Science		2
American Agriculturist Library. Springfield, *Mass*		1
American Anti-Vivisection Society		15
American Association for the Advancement of Physical Education		2
American Association for the Advancement of Science	1	6
Amer. Association for the Study and Cure of Inebriates		1
American Association to Promote the teaching of Speech to the Deaf	1	19
American Banker's Association	4	
American Baptist Publication Society		1
American Bar Association	19	
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions		80
American Book Company	27	1
American Climatological Association	1	1
American Colonial Tracts		1
American Colonization Society		697
American Congregational Society		2
American Copyright League		2
American Federation of Labor		6
American Humane Education Society	2	8
American Institute of Architects		9
American Institute of Electrical Engineers	1	
American Institute of Homœopathy	1	
American Institute of Sacred Literature	1	150
American Irish Society	1	
American Jewish Historical Society		6
American Laryngological Association	10	
American Missionary Association		70
American Museum of Natural History	3	
American Numismatic and Archæological Society		1
American Park and Outdoor Art Association	2	
American Peace Society	2	88
American Postal Microscopical Club		21
American Public Health Association		1
American Society of Civil Engineers	2	
American Unitarian Association		3
Amherst College. Amherst, *Mass*		1
Andover Theological Seminary. Andover, *Mass*		1
Anonymous	5	4
Anti-Imperialist League		13
Arizona. Adjutant-General		7
Arkansas. Bureau of Mines	1	
—— Secretary of State		5
—— Superintendent of Public Instruction	10	
Ashurst, R. L. Philadelphia	1	
Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools in the Middle States and Maryland		10
Atlanta University. Atlanta. *Ga.*		1
Author's Club. N. Y. City	1	
Baillie's Institution. Glasgow, *Scotland*		1
Balch, T. W. Philadelphia	1	
Ball, F. P. Baltimore		15
Baltimore. Board of Trade		6
—— City Library	1	
—— Mayor	4	
—— Society for the Protection of Children		10
Bancroft Company. N. Y. City		2
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library		1
Barnard, F. J. (& Co). Boston	4	1
Barnard College. N. Y. City		2
Barnes Medical College. St. Louis		1
Batchellor, A. S. Concord. *N. H.*		1
Bates, E. St. Louis		46
Belfast, *Ireland*. Free Public Library		1
Belgium. Dept. of Agriculture and Public Works		30
—— Dept. of Foreign Affairs	5	47
Belleville, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Benton, J. H. Boston		1
Berlin. Magistrats	1	1
Bernd, H. St. Louis		1
Bernd, L. St. Louis		10
Bigelow Free Public Library. Clinton, *Mass*		1
Bingham, H. Littleton, *N. H.*		6
Birmingham, *Eng.* Free Libraries Committee		1
Blackburn, *Eng.* Free Library		1
Blair, A. St. Louis		2
Blair, J. L. St. Louis		1
Bolton, *Mrs.* S. K. Cleveland, *O.*	1	2
Bolton, *Eng.* Public Free Library		1
Bonaparte, C. J. Baltimore		1
Boston. Associated Charities		1
—— Board of Overseers of the Poor		4
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Children's Aid Society		1
—— City Auditor	3	
—— City Registry Dept	1	
—— Dept. of Parks		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
—— Dispensary	1	
—— Home for Aged Women		41
—— Immigration Restriction League		15
—— Improved Dwelling Association		1
—— Industrial Aid Society		5
—— Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children		1
—— Museum of Fine Arts		1
—— Provident Association		9
—— Public Library	1	14
—— Public School Art League		1
—— School Committee		23
—— South End House		4
—— Women's Educational and Industrial Union		10
—— Young Men's Christian Union	2	4
Boston Anti-Imperialist Meeting		1
Boston Book Company		6
Bostonian Society		1
Bowdoin College. Brunswick, *Me*		2
Boyd, *Mrs.* W. W. St. Louis	1	
Brackett, B. B. Washington, *D. C.*		1
Bradley, *Mrs.* G. J. St. Louis	1	
Brandenberger. W. A. St. Louis	3	
Brasse, A. St. Louis	1	
Breslau. Handelskammer		1
Brett, W. H. Cleveland, *O.*	1	
Bridgeport, *Conn.* Public Library		1
Brinley heirs. Hartford, *Conn.*		10
Bristol, *Eng.* Public Library		1
British Columbia. Board of Trade		12
—— Minister of Mines		2
Brockton, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Brookline, *Mass.* Public Library		6
Brookline Education Society		3
Brooklyn. Civil Service Commissioner		1
—— Library		3
Bryn Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, *Penn*		1
Bryson Library. N. Y. City	1	
Buffalo, *N. Y.* Mayor	1	
—— Merchants Exchange		32
—— Public Library		16
Buffalo Historical Society		6
Bunker Hill Boy's Club. Boston		8
Bunker Hill Monument Association. Boston	1	
Burlington. *Ia.* Free Public Library		1
Burt, *Miss* M. E. N. Y. City		6
Bush, I. St. Louis	19	62
Bussey Institute. Jamaica Plains, *Mass*		13
Butte, *Mont.* Public Library		1
Cabot, G. L. Boston		1
California. Adjutant-General	6	7
—— Attorney General	1	
—— Bank Commissioner	1	
—— State Board of Trade		2
—— State Library	1	2
—— State Mining Bureau		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	
—— Surveyor General	1	
—— University		15
California Library Association		3
Cambridge, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Cambridge, *Eng.* Library Syndicate		1
—— Public Library		1
Canada. Department of Agriculture		4
—— Department of Interior		5
—— Department of Militia and Defence		2
—— Department of Trade and Commerce		10
—— Dept. of Trade and Navigation	1	2
—— Geological Survey	1	
— Inland Revenue Dept.		66
—— Minister of Marine and Fisheries		1
—— Minister of Public Works		1
—— Post Office Dept	2	5
Cannon, G. Q. & Sons. Salt Lake City	1	1
Carlsruhe. Bibliothek des Polytechnicums		4
Carnegie Free Library. Allegheny, *Pa*		1
Carnegie Library. Homestead, *Pa*		1
Carnegie Library. Pittsburgh, *Pa*		13
Carpenter, *Mrs.* C. G. St. Louis	1	10
Cartan, D. L. St. Louis		3
Cedar Rapids, *Ia.* Free Public Library		2
Central Conference of American Rabbis. Chicago	1	
Century Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Charles, B. H. Clayton, *Mo.*	1	
Charleston, *S. C.* Mayor	2	1
Charlton, J. Ottawa, *Can.*		4
Chauvenet, W. M. St. Louis	14	132
Chicago. Academy of Sciences		1
—— Armour Institute of Technology		1
—— Board of Trade	1	
—— Civil Service Commissioner	1	
—— College of Law		2
—— Dept. of Health		8
—— Historical Society		1
—— Mayor	2	
—— Public Library	1	1
—— Secretary of Commissioner on Education		1
—— South Park Commissioner		9
—— Thursday Club		1
—— University		1
—— University Settlement		3
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway		6
Cincinnati. Observatory		1
—— Public Library		4
—— Young Men's Mercantile Library Association		1
Cincinnati Hospital		1
Clapham, *Eng.* Public Library		2
Clark, *Hon.* C. Bowling Green, *Mo.*		1
Clayton, H. D. Eufaula, *Ala.*		4
Cleveland. Board of Education		1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	2
—— City Clerk	9	
—— Municipal Association		5
—— Public Library		5
Club of Odd Volumes. Boston		1
Cobb, *Hon.* S. W. St. Louis	1	
College Settlements Association		3
Colorado. Adjutant-General		1
—— Agricultural Experiment Station		9
—— Inspector of Coal Mines		2
—— State Engineer	1	2
—— State Insurance Dept.	1	1
—— University		2
Colorado College. Colorado, Springs, *Col.*		1
Columbia Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Columbia University. N. Y. City	2	2
Columbus, *O.* Public School Library	1	3
Congregational Home Missionary Society		4
Connecticut. Agricultural Experiment Station	1	2
—— Bank Commissioners	1	
—— Board of Agriculture	1	
—— Board of Education	3	2
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	
—— Inspector of Factories	1	
—— Railroad Commissioners	1	
—— Secretary of State	4	
—— State Board of Charities	1	
—— State Board of Health	1	2
—— State Library	10	
Conrad, F. W Philadelphia	1	
Cook, P. F. St. Louis		6

	Vols.	Pphs.
Cooling, W. F. Chicago		1
Cornell University. Ithaca, *N. Y*	1	97
Corning, C. R. Concord, *N. H*		3
Cotton Belt Route, St. Louis Office	1	7
Coulter, J. M. Chicago		1
Cox, R. N. Y. City		2
Coxe, V. R. N. Y. City	1	
Creighton University. Omaha, *Neb*		1
Cridge, A. San Francisco		1
Crosby, *Mrs.* E. L. St. Louis	9	351
Crunden, F. M. St. Louis	2	51
Cuban Industrial Relief Fund. N. Y. City		1
Currier, C. G. N. Y. City		1
Curry, J. L. M. Washington, *D. C*	1	
Cust, R. N. London, *Eng*	2	
Daily, J. W. Boston		1
Daves, G. New Bern, *N. C*		10
Davis, C. L. Raleigh, *N. C*		1
Dayton, *O.* Public Library		2
Dean, *Miss* C. R. St. Louis		6
DeBernard, G. B. Independence, *Mo*	1	14
Delaware. Adjutant-General	1	1
—— Secretary of State		1
Demuth, I. M. Sedalia, *Mo*		1
Dennison Manufacturing Co. N. Y. City		1
Denver, *Col.* City Library		2
—— Public Library	1	
Denver Medical Publishing Co		2
DePauw University. Greencastle, *Ind*		2
Depew, *Hon.* C. M. N. Y. City		3
Detroit. Board of Education		9
—— City Clerk	1	
—— Controller	2	
—— Public Library	1	3
Dexter, *Miss* M. Cincinnati	2	
Dibble, H. P., *Jr.* St. Louis	8	
District of Columbia Industrial Home School		2
Doell, *Mrs.* G. St. Louis	5	
Dover, *N. H.* Public Library		2
Dyer, *Mrs.* M. St. Louis	4	23
Eames, W. N. Y. City		1
Eaton, A. M. Providence, *R. I*		3
Eau Claire, *Wis.* Public Library		1
Eby, J. F. Detroit	1	
Educational Publishing Co. Boston	8	
Edwards, J. T. McDonogh, *Md.*	1	
Eiseman, B. St. Louis	1	
Elisha Mitchell Scientific Soc. Chapel Hill, *N. C*		4
Elkins, *Hon.* S. B. Elkins, *West Va*		1
Ely-Walker Dry Goods Co. St. Louis	1	
Emmet, T. K. St. Louis	1	
Enoch Pratt Free Library. Baltimore		2
Evans, H. C. Kirkwood, *Mo*		2
Evanston. *Ill.* Free Public Library		1
Fairfield Co. Historical Soc. Bridgeport, *Conn*		9
Fairmount College. Wichita, *Kan.*		1
Fanger, F. St. Louis	2	
Farquhar, A. B. York, *Pa*		4
Field Columbian Museum. Chicago		2
Fiji. Colonial Secretary	1	
Fillebrown, C. B. Boston		1
Filson Club. Louisville, *Ky*	1	
Finley, W. W. Washington, *D. C*	1	1
Fitchburg Historical Society. Fitchburg, *Mass*		3
Fitz Public Library. Chelsea, *Mass*	2	17
Fletcher, R. Washington, *D. C*		1
Fletcher Free Library. Burlington, *Vt*		12
Florida. Agricultural Experiment Station		19
—— Dept. of Agriculture		3
—— Comptroller		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		9
Foote, A. R. Takoma Park *D. C.*		2
Forbes Library. Northampton, *Mass*		1
Forest Park University. St. Louis		1
Fortnightly Club. Jamestown, *N. Y*	1	
Fowler, *Hon.* C. N. Elizabeth, *N. J*		1
France. Ministére du Commerce	1	1
—— Ministére de l' Instruction Publique	7	82
Frankfurt am Main. Freiherrlich Carl von Rothschilds'che öffentliche Bibliothek		1
Franklin, A. B. Chicago		1
Friends Free Library. Germantown, *Pa*		7
Frink, S. St. Louis		7
Furst, C. B. Philadelphia		1
Gallinger, *Hon.* J. C. Concord, *N. H*		2
Garrett, *Miss* M. S. Philadelphia		8
Genealogical Society of Pa. Philadelphia		1
General Federation of Women's Clubs		2
Georgia. Dept. of Agriculture		1
—— Experiment Station		4
—— Geological Survey		7
Gerhold, H. St. Louis	1	
Girard College. Philadelphia	1	1
Gladfelter, *Miss* L. M. St. Louis		2
Glasgow, *Scotland.* University	1	
Glens Falls, *N. Y.* Board of Education		60
Gloversville, *N. Y.* Free Library		1
Godkin, E. L. N. Y. City	1	
Goldman, H. Chicago	1	
Goodyear, *Miss* A. S. Boston	1	18
Gordon, F. G. R. Manchester, *N H*		1
Gorse, *Mrs.* J. E. St. Louis	1	
Goettingen, *Ger.* Royal University Library		1
Gould Directory Co. St. Louis	22	
Grand Rapids, *Mich.* Public Library		2
Graves, W. W. St. Louis		1
Gray, E. M. Florence, *N. M*		2
Green, S. A. Boston	10	203
Green, S. S. Worcester, *Mass*		1
Gregory, C. N. Madison, *Wis*		4
Grindon, A. S. St. Louis		1
Grosvenor Public Library. Buffalo, *N. Y*		9
Guessel, F. C. D. St. Louis		4
Gun, R. London		4
Gunton Institute. N. Y. City		2
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children. Boston		1
Habel, *Dr.* E. S. St. Louis	1	
Hackett, F. W. Washington, *D. C*		3
Hale House Settlement. Boston		2
Hall, W. S. San Francisco		2
Hamilton, *Can.* Public Library		5
Hampton, G. P. N. Y. City		2
Hansmann, C. A. N. Y. City		2
Hardin, *Mrs.* C. H. Mexico, *Mo*	1	
Harlem Republican Club. N. Y. City		1
Harris, *Hon.* W. T. Washington, *D. C*		4
Hartford, *Conn.* Board of Trade		2
—— Public Library		7
—— Theological Seminary		1
Harvard University. Cambridge, *Mass*	1	26
Haverford College. Haverford, *Pa*		51
Havlin's Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Hawaii. Dept. of Foreign Affairs		5

	Vols.	Pphs.
Hawaiian Historical Society. Honolulu		14
Helena, *Mont.* Public Library		10
Helman-Taylor Co. Cleveland, *O*		12
Henderson, *Miss* M. A. Glasgow, *Scotland*		1
Hepner, A. St. Louis	16	
Hermann, B. Washington, *D. C.*	1	
Hiller, E. St. Louis		10
Hillside Bindery. Hillside, *Mo*		1
Hiram House Settlement. Cleveland, *O*		1
Hoagland, G. A. St. Louis		2
Hoar, *Hon.* G. F. Worcester, *Mass*		2
Hoboken, *N. J.* Free Public Library		6
Holland. F. M. Concord, *Mass*	12	
Homan, Dr. G. St. Louis	1	20
Hoogland, W. St. Louis	1	
Hopkins Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Hosmer Hall. St. Louis		1
Howard Memorial Library. New Orleans		1
Hubbard, L. C. N. Y. City		1
Hughes, *Major* C. H. St. Louis		4
Humane Society of Mass., Boston		4
Hunt, C. W. N. Y. City		1
Hyde Park Historical Society. Hyde Park, *Mass*		8
Idaho. Dept. of Public Instruction		1
Illinois. Agricultural Experiment Station		4
—— Attorney General	3	
—— Auditor	6	
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	3	
—— Factory Inspectors	2	
—— Geological Survey	3	8
—— Insurance Supt	12	8
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner	4	
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Agent	3	
—— State Bar Association		19
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	4
—— State Board of Health	1	1
—— State Fish Commission	1	
—— State Laboratory of Natural History		8
—— State Normal University		1
—— State Penitentiary		2
—— State Reformatory	1	
—— University		1
Independent. Honolulu		1
Independent Order Knights of Labor	1	
Indiana. Dept. of Public Instruction	1	
—— Horticultural Society	1	
—— State Fish Commissioner	1	
—— State Geologist	1	
—— State Library	4	13
Indianapolis. Mayor	2	
Indianapolis Monetary Commission	1	
Industrial Educational Association. N. Y. City		20
Ingalls, J. M. Fort Monroe, *Va*		1
Iowa. Academy of Science	2	2
—— Adjutant-General	1	
—— Agricultural College		6
—— Commissioner of Pharmacy	3	4
—— Geological Survey	1	
—— Historical Dept	1	36
—— Masonic Library		5
—— Railroad Commissioners	5	2
—— Secretary of State	22	1
—— State Agricultural Society	1	
—— State Board of Health	7	33
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		2
—— University		4
—— Weather and Crop Service	4	
Irwin, *Miss* M. H. Glasgow, *Scotland*		6
Italy. Dept. of Agriculture		140
—— Dept. of Foreign Affairs	2	15
—— Treasury Dept		2
Janes, L. G. Cambridge, *Mass*		1
Japan. Dept. of Foreign Affairs	2	
Jaques, M. F. St. Louis	3	
Jersey City, *N. J.* Free Public Library		11
John F. Slater Fund. Washington, *D. C*		1
Johnson. J. B. St. Louis		1
Johnston, C. Baltimore		1
Jones, B. St. Louis		1
Jones, S. M. Toledo, *O*		80
Jordan, D. S. Leland Stanford Jr. University, *Cal*		1
Just, G. A. St. Louis	3	
Kaltwasser Drug Co. St. Louis	1	
Kansas. Adjutant-General	1	1
—— Attorney General	2	
—— Bureau of Labor and Industry	1	
—— Dept. of Forestry and Irrigation		2
—— Historical Society	1	2
—— Insurance Dept		1
—— State Agricultural College		5
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	1
—— State Board of Railroad Commissioners	2	
—— State Horticultural Society	3	1
—— University	3	2
Kansas City. Comptroller		1
—— Mayor		9
—— Public Library	1	
Karst, E. St. Louis		4
Kaysing, *Miss* T. St. Louis	10	
Kent, H. T. St. Louis		1
Kentucky. Agricultural Experiment Station		11
—— Railroad Commissioners	4	
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	3	
Kershaw, *Dr.* J. M. St. Louis		1
Keystone Bridge Co. Pittsburgh, *Pa*	1	
King, *Gen.* H. C. Brooklyn		1
Kingston-upon Thames, *Eng.* Public Library		1
Krieger, *Mrs.* L. W. St. Louis	6	
Krug, *Miss* J. St. Louis	1	
Lane, L. P. Boston		6
Langton, J. F. St. Louis	1	
Larned, C. W. West Point, *N. Y.*	1	
Larsson, G. Boston		7
Lathers, *Col.* R. New Rochelle, *N. Y*		3
Lawrence, *Mass.* Public Library		6
Lawrenceville School. Lawrenceville, *N. J*		2
League for Social Service. N. Y. City	1	18
Leeds, *Eng.* Free Public Libraries		1
Legal Publishing Co. St. Louis	1	
Leipziger, H. M. N. Y. City		1
Leland Stanford, Jr., University. Stanford University, *Cal*	1	5
Libbey Glass Co. Toledo, *O*	1	
Liberty and Property Defence League. London		32
Lighty, W. H. St. Louis		10
Lincoln House Settlement. Boston		5
Lionberger, I. H. St. Louis		1
Lippman, M. J. St. Louis	2	
London. Free Labour Protection Association	3	1
—— Second International Library Conference	3	
Los Angeles, *Cal.* Chamber of Commerce		1
—— Public Library		1
Louisiana. Adjutant-General	1	1
—— Dept. of Education		1
—— Experiment Station		6
—— Secretary of State		3
Lowell Textile School. Lowell, *Mass*		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Lundstedt, B. Stockholm, *Sweden*		1
McAnally, D. R. St. Louis	7	
McCall, *Mrs.* L. M. St. Louis		3
McCann, J. J. St. Louis		1
MacDonald, A. Washington, *D. C*		1
McGill University. Montreal, *Can.*		13
McGrew, *Rev.* G. H N. Y. City		2
McLean, G. E. Lincoln, *Neb*		2
McManus, G. St. Louis	2	2
McMillan, J. Detroit	3	
Madgeburg, *Capt.* F. H. Milwaukee	1	6
Maimonides Free Library. N. Y. City		2
Maine. Agricultural Experiment Station		9
—— Bureau of Industrial and Labor Statistics	1	
—— Dept. of Agriculture	2	
Makuen, *Dr.* G. H. Philadelphia		1
Manchester, *N. H.* City Library		1
Manchester, *Eng.* Public Free Libraries		8
Manitoba Historical and Scientific Society		7
Mann, H. S. Omaha, *Neb*		13
Manson, N. J. San Francisco		1
Mansur and Tebbetts Implement Co. St. Louis	1	
Marburg, T. Baltimore	1	
Marvin, *Miss* M. St. Louis		1
Maryland. Adjutant-General	2	
—— Bureau of Industrial Statistics		1
—— Commissioner of Land Office		2
—— Geological Survey	1	
—— Second Hospital for Insane. Sykesville		3
—— State Library	4	
Massachusetts. Adjutant-General	1	
—— Agricultural College		8
—— Auditor	1	
—— Board of Education	5	
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor	10	8
—— Charitable Mechanic Association	2	57
—— Civil Service Commissioners		1
—— Commissioners of Prisons	1	
—— Commissioner of Savings Banks	2	
—— Eye and Ear Infirmary	3	
—— General Hospital		12
—— Harbor and Land Commissioners	2	
—— Insurance Commissioner	1	1
—— Institute of Technology		2
—— Library Club		1
—— Metropolitan Park Commissioner	1	
—— Railroad Commissioners	1	
—— Record Commissioners		1
—— Secretary of the Commonwealth		3
—— State Board of Agriculture	5	1
—— State Board of Lunacy and Charity	2	
—— State Library	2	5
—— State Lunatic Asylum. Northampton		36
—— State Lunatic Asylum. Worcester		16
—— Treasurer		4
Matthews, G. E & Co. Buffalo. *N. Y*	2	
Mayo, W. H. St. Louis	1	
Medford, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Merry, W. L. San Francisco		5
Methodist Book and Publishing House, Toronto, *Canada*	1	
Mexico. Instituto Geológico		6
Meyer, B. H. Madison, *Wis*		2
Meyer, H. St. Louis		2
Michigan. Adjutant-General	6	7
—— Auditor General	1	
—— Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics	5	
—— Commissioner of Railroads	4	
—— Secretary of State	7	14
—— State Agricultural College		15
—— State Banking Dept	2	
—— State Board of Agriculture	2	
—— State Board of Corrections and Charities	1	2
—— State Board of Health	1	12
—— State Game and Fish Warden		2
—— State Library		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	2	1
—— University		1
Miller, J. D. Chicago		1
Miller, W. Stanford University, *Cal*		4
Mills, *Rev.* B. F. Boston		24
Milwaukee. Board of City Service Commissioners		2
—— Board of Education	15	1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Park Commissioners	2	4
—— Public Library		5
Minneapolis. Farm and Garden Association		1
—— Park Commissioners		1
—— Public Library	1	6
Minnesota. Bureau of Labor	1	9
—— Insurance Commissioner	1	2
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner	3	2
—— State Board of Corrections and Charities		5
—— State Horticultural Society	4	
—— State Prison		2
—— University	1	7
Missouri. Adjutant-General	4	
—— Auditor	26	
—— Building and Loan Association	3	
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	4	
—— Confederate Home		2
—— Geological Survey	197	158
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commissioner	42	
—— Reform School for Boys		2
—— School for the Blind		1
—— Secretary of State	27	4
—— State Board of Agriculture	39	10
—— State Horticultural Society	1	
—— State Industrial School for Girls		1
—— State Lunatic Asylum, No. 1. Fulton		1
—— State Lunatic Asylum, No. 2. St. Joseph		1
—— State Lunatic Asylum, No. 3. Nevada		1
—— State Mine Inspector	19	
—— State Normal School. Kirksville		5
—— State Normal School. Warrensburg		6
—— State Penitentary		3
—— State Poultry Association		1
—— State Supt. of Public Schools	102	
—— State Teachers Association		1
—— State Treasurer	1	
—— Supt. of Insurance	11	1
—— University		6
Missouri Botanical Garden	1	
Missouri Medical College		1
Missouri Single Tax League		2
Mitchell, I. G. St. Louis	6	
Mohonk Arbitration Conference		1
Montana. Attorney General		1
—— Auditor		10
—— Board of State Prison Commissioners		2
—— Historical Society	1	1
—— Mineral Land Commissioner		2
—— State Boiler Inspector		1
—— Stock Commissioner		2
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		7

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Morse Institute Library. Natick, *Mass*		1
Mount Holyoke College. South Hadley, *Mass*		3
Mountain Grove Academy. Mountain Grove, *Mo*		3
Muller, F. Amsterdam, *Holland*		2
Murphy, I. I. Toronto, *Canada*		2
Murray, T. K. Woonsocket, *R. I.*		1
Music Teachers' National Association		1
National Association of Builders		5
National Association of Manufacturers		27
National Association of Wool Manufacturers	1	1
National Board of Trade	6	
National Christian Association	2	16
National Civil Service Reform League	1	3
National College of Astronomy and Astrology. Chicago	1	
National Confectioners' Association	4	12
National Electric Light Association	1	
National Laundry Journal. Chicago	1	
Natural Science Association of Staten Island		10
Nebraska. Board of Transportation	1	1
—— Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics	3	1
—— Public Lands and Buildings		3
—— Secretary of State		2
—— State Board of Agriculture	11	
—— State Penitentiary		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	
—— University		14
Neighborhood House Settlement. Louisville, *Ky*		1
Netherlands. Consul-General	1	
Nevada. Agricultural Experiment Station		4
—— Department of Education		8
—— Secretary of State		1
New Bedford, *Mass.* Free Public Library		8
New England Anti-Vivisection Society. Boston		30
New England Deaconess Home. Boston		12
New England Free Trade League. Boston		23
New England Historical Genealogical Society. Boston		8
New England Peabody Home for Crippled Children		2
New England Society of Pennsylvania		6
New England Zoölogical Club		8
New Hampshire. Agricultural Experiment Station		18
—— Bureau of Labor	1	
—— Historical Society		2
—— State Library	7	1
New Haven, *Conn.* Free Public Library		13
New Jersey. Adjutant-General		1
—— Agricultural Experiment Station		1
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor	2	
—— Commissioner of Banking and Insurance	3	2
—— Dairy Commissioner	1	
—— Geological Survey	4	7
—— State Board of Affriculture	1	
—— State Board of Assessors	2	2
—— State Comptroller	2	2
—— State Library	1	
—— State Prison	1	
New London, *Conn.* Public Library		2
New Mexico. Agricultural Experiment Station		28
—— Bar Association		10
—— Secretary of State	1	
New South Wales. Dept. of Public Instruction	1	
—— Public Library	14	4
New York (*City*). Children's Aid Society		1
—— Comptroller	3	1
—— Cooper Union		3
—— Department of Docks	3	
—— East Side House Settlement		2
—— Free Circulating Library		1
—— General Soc. of Mechanics and Tradesmen. Free Library		2
—— Jewish Theological Seminary Association		3
—— Mayor		4
—— Mercantile Library		2
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—— Public Library. Astor, Lenox and Tilden Foundation	1	13
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—— Trinity Church	2	1
—— University		2
—— Woman's Hospital		1
—— Young Men's Christian Association		1
New York (*State*). Board of Railroad Commissioners	2	
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor	1	
—— Department of Agriculture		8
—— Department of Public Instruction	8	
—— Factory Inspectors	1	
—— Game and Forest Commission	2	
—— State Charities Aid Association		4
—— State Reformatory	2	
—— State Library	60	6
—— Supt. of State Prisons	1	
—— University		13
New York Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor		2
New York Board of Trade and Transportation		12
New York Clearing House		6
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New York Journal	1	
New York Juvenile Asylum		1
New York Pathological Society	10	
New Zealand. Colonial Secretary	2	5
Newark, *N. J.* Board of Education		1
—— Common Council	1	
—— Free Public Library		13
—— Mayor	1	5
Newberry Library. Chicago		4
Newburgh, N. Y. Historical Society		3
Newfoundland. Colonial Secretary	1	
Niagara Falls, *N. Y.* Public Library		1
Nimmo, J., Jr. Washington, *D. C.*		10
Nineteenth Century Club. N. Y. City		2
North Adams, *Mass.* Public Library		1
North Carolina. Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	
—— State Library		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	2	1
North Dakota. Agricultural Experiment Station		3
—— Commissioner of Agriculture and Labor		5
—— Railroad Commissioner	1	
—— State Examiner		2
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		1

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—— University		2
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Norway. Bureau of Statistics		21
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Oberlin College. Oberlin, *Ohio*		31
Ohio. Adjutant-General	3	
—— Agricultural Experiment Station		7
—— Auditor	1	
—— Board of Public Works		1
—— Board of State Charities	1	4
—— Building and Loan Association	1	
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	
—— Commissioner of Common Schools	1	
—— Dairy and Food Commissioner	4	
—— Dept. of Inspection of Workshops and Factories	2	
—— Insurance Department	1	
—— State Bar Association	6	10
—— State Board of Agriculture	2	
—— State University		2
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society	6	
Ohio Church History Society		7
Oklahoma. Agricultural Experiment Station		1
Olmstead, D. H. N. Y. City	1	
Olympic Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Omaha. Board of Education		2
—— Greater American Exposition. 1899		1
—— Public Library	1	5
Oneida Historical Society. Utica, *N. Y.*		3
O'Neil, L. J. St. Louis	1	
Ontario. Bureau of Mines		3
Oregon. Agricultural Experiment Station		3
—— Secretary of State		22
Osterhout Free Library. Wilkes-Barre, *Pa*		12
Otis Library. Norwich, *Conn*		7
Palmer, *Mrs.* C. F. N. Y. City	1	
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Park College Library. Parkville, *Mo.*		12
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Paterson, *N. J.* Free Public Library		1
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Peabody Institute. Danvers, *Mass.*		1
Peabody Institute of Archæology and Ethnology. Cambridge, *Mass.*		2
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Pennsylvania. Adjutant-General	1	2
—— Agricultural Experiment Station		3
—— Auditor General	1	
—— Commissioner of Banking	3	
—— Commissioner of Fisheries	4	
—— Commissioner of Soldiers' Orphan Schools	3	
—— Factory Inspectors		1
—— Forestry Division	2	3
— Secretary of State	3	
—— State Library	67	29
—— Treasurer	2	
—— University		1
Pennsylvania Bar Association	4	
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery		6
Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art		7
Pennsylvania Railroad Company	1	
Peoria, *Ill.* Public Library		3
Perkins Institute for the Blind. Boston		1
Perry, Mason & Co. Boston		1
Peterborough, *Eng.* Public Library		1
Philadelphia. Apprentices Library Company		6
—— Board of Public Education	1	4
—— Board of Trade		1
—— City Comptroller	1	
—— City Institute Library		6
—— Civic Club	1	58
—— College of Pharmacy		4
—— Commercial Museum		7
—— Fairmount Park Association		4
—— Free Library		2
—— Indian Rights Association —		6
—— Jewish Foster Home		1
—— Library Company		3
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—— Vacant Lots Cultivation Committee		1
—— Yearly Meeting of Friends		2
—— Young Men's Christian Association		2
—— Zoölogical Society		1
Phillips, P. L. Washington, *D. C.*		1
Pillsbury, A. E Boston		2
Pittsburgh. Association for Improvement of the Poor		1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	1
Plymouth, *Eng.* Free Public Library		1
—— Mercantile Association	1	1
Poindexter, C. Richmond, *Va.*		1
Polytechic Society. Louisville, *Ky*		2
Pomeroy, E. Newark, *N. J*		1
Pommer, F. St. Louis	5	
Portland, *Me.* Public Library		2
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Presbyterian Church in the U. S.	1	
Presbyterian Committee of Publication. Richmond, *Va.*	1	
Presbyterian Historical Society. Philadelphia		1
Present Problems Publishing Co. N. Y. City		1
Princeton College. Princeton, *N. J.*	1	1
Providence, *R. I.* Public Library		2
Providence Athenæum. Providence, *R. I.*		65
Purdue University. LaFayette, *Ind*		6
Quincy, *Ill.* Public Library		1
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Reading, *Eng.* Free Public Library		1
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Rhode Island. Agricultnral Experiment Station		10
—— Bureau of Industrial Statistics	2	
—— Commissioner of Public Schools	1	
—— Factory Inspectors	1	
—— Insurance Department	3	
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Sadler, R. Coldharbour, *Eng*	1	1
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St. Joseph, *Mo.* Free Public Library		6
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—— Board of Education	55	23
—— Board of Election Commissioners		2
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—— Civic Federation		1
—— Froebel Society	2	
—— Health Department	13	9
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—— Liberty Non-Sectarian Mission		1
—— Master Builders Association		1
—— Mayor	1	
—— Mercantile Library		1
—— Merchants' Exchange	32	1
—— Milk Inspector	1	
—— National Bank of Commerce		1
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—— Public Library Magazine	20	
—— Social Settlement League	29	324
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—— Women's Christian Association		1
St. Louis Amateur Athletic Club		1
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St. Louis University		1
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Salem, *Mass.* Public Library		14
San Francisco. Board of Supervisors	1	
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Social Reform Club. N. Y. City		5
Society for the Study of Child Nature. N. Y. City		1
Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers		2
Somerville, *Mass.* Public Library		1
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Sons of American Revolution. Missouri Society	1	
Sons of American Revolution. Ohio Society	1	
Sound Currency Committee. N. Y. City	1	211
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—— State Treasurer		1
South Carolina College		1
South Dakota. Agricultural Experiment Station		26
—— Commissioner of Insurance		1
—— Geological Survey		1
—— Schools and Public Lands	2	
—— Secretary of State	1	1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		1
—— Treasurer		1
South Orange, *N. J.* Free Public Circulating Library		1
Speck, *Mrs.* L. St. Louis		2
Spiers, F. W. N. Y. City		1
Springfield, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Springfield, *Mass.* City Library Association		12
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State Children's Aid Association. London, *Eng*		6
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Stevens Institute of Technology. Hoboken, *N. J.*		2
Stevenson, *Mrs.* S. B. Benton Station, *Mo.*		6
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Tokyo, *Japan.* Library		2
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Trinity College. Hartford, *Conn.*		1
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Tutt, *Miss* H. Kirkwood	3	2
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Uruguay. Bur. d'Exchanges Internationaux	1	2
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Van Blarcom, *Mrs.* J. G. St. Louis	12	4
Vassar College. Poughkeepsie, *N. Y.*		1
Venezuela. Department of Foreign Affairs		19
Vermont. Agricultural Experiment Station	1	1
—— Dairymen's Association		1
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—— Library Commissioners		1
—— Railroad Commissioners	1	
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	
—— State Library	8	9
—— Supt. of Education	1	
—— University		10
Virginia. Agricultural Experiment Station		97
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	1
—— University		8
Virginia State Bar Association	2	
Volta Bureau. Washington, *D. C.*		3
Von Holst, H. E. Chicago		2
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Wagner, *Miss* S. St. Louis		13
Waltham, *Mass.* Public Library		6
Ward, J. N. Y. City		1
Warder Public Library, Springfield, *O.*		1
Warner, B. H.	1	
Warren, *Miss* L. E. N. Y. City	1	2
Warren, *Miss* M. St. Louis	1	
Warren County Library. Monmouth, *Ill.*		4
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—— Bureau of Statistics	1	
—— State Historical Library		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		9
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Waterhouse, *Prof.* S. St. Louis		1
Watertown, *Mass.* Free Public Library		2
Weir, R. S. Montreal, *Can.*		1
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Wells College. Aurora, *N. Y.*		2
Wells Memorial Institute. Boston		1
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Wesleyan University. Middletown, *Conn.*		3
Westham, *Eng.* Public Libraries		1
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Western College for Women. Oxford, *O.*		1
Wheeler, E. P. N. Y. City		3
White Star Line. St. Louis Office	1	
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William and Mary College. Williamsburg, *Va.*		3
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Wilmington Institute. Wilmington, *Del.*		1
Wilner, *Mrs.* A. St. Louis	1	
Winn, H. Boston		2
Wisconsin. Adjutant-General	2	29
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	
—— Dairy and Food Commissioner	1	2
—— Department of State	3	
—— Free Library Commission	1	14
—— Insurance Commissioner	2	
—— Natural History Society		7
—— Railroad Commissioners		1
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Woburn, *Mass.* Public Library		1
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Worcester, *Mass.* City Clerk		1
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Worcester County Law Library		1
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—— State Engineer	1	
—— University		5
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Yonkers, *N. Y.* Historical Library Association		3
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—— East St. Louis Journal.....Daily
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—— Commons.....Monthly
—— Cycle Age.....Weekly
—— Elite.....Weekly
—— Everybody's Journal.....Monthly
—— Farm Implement News.....Weekly
—— Flaming Sword.....Weekly
—— Good Citizen.....Monthly
—— Human Faculty.....Monthly
—— Lucifer.....Weekly
—— Men.....Monthly
—— Modern Tourist.....Monthly
—— Musical Critic.....Monthly
—— Office Men's Record.....Quarterly
—— Our Fellow Creatures.....Monthly
—— People's Press.....Weekly
—— Planets and People.....Monthly
—— Progress.....Monthly
—— Public Official.....Monthly
—— Railway Review.....Weekly
—— School Board Journal.....Monthly
—— Show Window.....Monthly
—— Social Democrat.....Weekly
—— Sportsmen's Review.....Weekly
—— Stationer and Printer.....Semi-Monthly
—— Stationary Engineer.....Monthly
—— Suggestive Therapeutics.....Monthly
—— Teacher and Student.....Monthly
—— Timberman.....Monthly
—— Union Signal.....Weekly
—— Universal Truth.....Monthly
—— Your Head.....
Cincinnati, *O.* American Home Missionary.....Monthly
—— American Musician.....Weekly
—— Common Cause.....Weekly
—— Furniture Worker.....Weekly
—— Teacher and Organist.....Monthly
Clayton, *Mo.* People's Advocate.....Weekly
Cleveland, *O.* Index.....Semi-Monthly
—— International Messenger.....Monthly
—— Journal.....Monthly
—— Suggestor and Thinker.....Monthly

Colorado Springs, *Col.* Public Ownership Review Monthly
Columbus, *O.* Occult Science Quarterly
Commonwealth, *Ga.* Social Gospel Monthly
Concord, *N. H.* Journal of Speculative Philosophy Irregular
Corvallis, *Or.* New Dispensation Monthly
Dallas, *Tex.* Texas and Pacific Quarterly Quarterly
—— Texas Farm and Ranch Weekly
Denver, *Col.* Mecca Weekly
—— Mining Industry Weekly
—— Mining Reporter Weekly
—— Ores and Metals Monthly
—— Silver Trumpet Monthly
—— Temple Monthly
Des Moines, *Io.* Equity Semi-Monthly
—— Iowa Health Bulletin Monthly
Detroit, *Mich.* Pernin's Stenographer Monthly
East Canterbury, *N. H.* Manifesto Monthly
Eddy, *N. M.* Pecos Valley Argus Weekly
Edwardsville, *Ill.* Leclaire News Monthly
Elgin, *Ill.* Our Republic Monthly
Elsinore, *Cal.* Elsinore Press Weekly
Fresno, *Cal.* Guide Weekly
—— Interior Monthly
Hampton, *Va.* Southern Workman Monthly
Harrisburg, *Pa.* Keim and Allied Families Monthly
Hartford, *Conn.* Hartford Seminary Record Bi-Monthly
—— Locomotive Monthly
—— Traveler's Record Monthly
Havana, *Cuba.* Island of Cuba Magazine Monthly
Helena, *Mont.* Montana Bimetallist Weekly
Honolulu, *Hawaiian Islands.* Paradise of the Pacific Monthly
Houston, *Tex.* Texas Railway News and Illustrator **Monthly**
Hudson, *Mass.* Woman's Home Journal Monthly
Independence, *Mo.* Labor Exchange **Monthly**
Indianapolis, *Ind.* Indianian **Monthly**
—— Single Tax World **Weekly**
Italy. Dept. of Agriculture. Bulletin of Agriculture **Monthly**
—— Bulletin of Commerce **Monthly**
—— Bulletin of Meteorology **Monthly**
—— Bulletin of Patents **Monthly**
Ithaca, *N. Y.* New York State Weather Bureau Monthly
Jennings, *La.* Jennings Times Weekly
Kahoka, *Mo.* Review Weekly
Kansas City, *Mo.* Baton Monthly
—— Independent Weekly
Kirksville, *Mo.* Journal of Osteopathy Monthly
—— Norns Monthly
Knoxville, *Tenn.* American Homes Monthly
—— Tennessee University Magazine Monthly
—— University of Tennessee Record Bi-Monthly
Lamoni, *Ia.* Autumn Leaves Monthly
Lansing, *Mich.* Industrial Enterprise Monthly
—— Michigan Bulletin of Vital Statistics Monthly
Lewiston, *Idaho.* Lewiston Tribune Semi-Weekly
Lincoln, *Neb.* Nebraska Independent Weekly
London, *Eng.* Herald of Peace Weekly
—— Journal of Education Monthly
Liberty Review Monthly
—— Phonetic Journal Weekly
—— Pioneer of Wisdom Monthly
—— Positivist Review Monthly
Los Angeles, *Cal.* Alto Angeleno Weekly
—— California Cultivator Monthly
—— Capital Weekly
—— Investor Weekly
—— Land of Sunshine Monthly
Madison, *Wis.* Wisconsin Journal of Education
Manhattan, *Kan.* Industrialist 10 times yearly
Maplewood, *Mo.* St. Louis and Her Suburbs Monthly
Milwaukee, *Wis.* Echo Polskie Weekly
—— Erziehungs-Blaetter Monthly
—— Wayside Semi-Monthly
—— Whist Monthly
Minneapolis, *Minn.* Microcosm Monthly
—— National Single Taxer Weekly
—— People's Paper Weekly
—— Progress Weekly
Moberly, *Mo.* Silver Statesman Weekly
New York. Aluminum World Monthly
—— American Economist Weekly
—— American Missionary Quarterly
—— American School Board Journal **Monthly**
—— American Sentinel Weekly
—— American Wheelman Weekly
—— Art Collector Semi-Monthly
—— Atlantis Weekly
—— Baker's Review Monthly
—— Book Reviews Monthly
—— Brazilian Bulletin Quarterly
—— Church Union Monthly
—— Collector and Art Critic Semi-Monthly
—— Cook's Excursionist Monthly
—— Criterion Weekly
—— Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly
—— Druggist's Circular Monthly
—— Echo Quarterly
—— Gael Monthly
—— Home Missionary Quarterly
—— Intercollegian Monthly
—— Life and Health Monthly
—— Literary News Monthly
—— Mind Monthly
—— Model Engineer Monthly
—— Money Monthly
—— National Provisioner Weekly
—— New Century Weekly
—— New Church Messenger Weekly
—— New Earth Monthly
—— Oil, Paint and Drug Reporter Weekly
—— Optimist Monthly
—— Our Animal Friends Monthly
—— Our Boys' and Girls' Own Monthly
—— Painter's Magazine Monthly
—— People Weekly
—— Public Spirit Monthly
—— Rudder Monthly
—— School Weekly
—— Shorthand Educator Monthly
—— Street Railway Journal **Monthly**
—— Students Journal **Monthly**
—— Twentieth Century Astrologer.
—— Universal Brotherhood Monthly
Newark, *Del.* Educational News Semi-Monthly
Oakland, *Cal.* Mechanic's Institute Bulletin Monthly
—— Saturday Press Weekly
—— Signs of the Times Weekly
Paris, *France.* Journal du Droit International Privé Monthly
—— Revue des Livres Semi-Monthly
Pasadena, *Cal.* Social Review Monthly
Peoria, *Ill.* Trades and Labor Gazette Weekly
Philadelphia, *Pa.* American Weekly
—— Association News Weekly
—— Book News Monthly
—— City and State Weekly
—— Double Cross Monthly
—— Food, Home and Garden Weekly
—— Griffin's Journal Monthly
—— Journal of Zoöphily Monthly
—— Literary Era Monthly
—— Meehan's Monthly Monthly
—— Nazarene Weekly
—— New Ideas Monthly
—— Peacemaker Monthly
—— Præco Latinus Monthly
Pittsburg, *Pa.* Coal and Coke Weekly
Port Huron, *Mich.* Review Monthly
Portland, *Or.* Pacific Northwest Monthly

—— World's Advance-Thought.....Monthly
Quebec, *Canada*. Courier du Livre...Monthly
St. Louis. Die Abendschule.....Weekly
—— Age of Steel.....Weekly
—— American Baptist Flag.....Weekly
—— Amer. Law Review.....Bi-Monthly
—— Baptist Church Record.....Weekly
—— Bote der Neuen Kirche.....Weekly
—— Building and Trades Journal.....Weekly
—— Butcher's and Packer'sMag'zine..Monthly
—— Central Baptist.....Weekly
—— Central Law Journal.....Weekly
—— Chaperone.....Monthly
—— Church News.....Monthly
—— Democrat Bulletin.....Weekly
—— Dyer's News Letter.....Weekly
—— Electrical Era.....Monthly
—— Electrical Worker.....Monthly
—— Farm Machinery.....Weekly
—— Great Southwest.....Monthly
—— Hesperian.....Quarterly
—— High School News.....Monthly
—— Inland Engineer.....Monthly
—— Interstate Grocer.....Weekly
—— Journal of Agriculture.....Weekly
—— Labor.....Weekly
—— Manhood.....Monthly
—— Mekeel's Weekly.....Weekly
—— Mid-Continent.....Weekly
—— Mirror.....Weekly
—— Missouri Children's Home Finder.Monthly
—— Natural Law.....Weekly
—— Philatelic Journal.....Semi-Annual
—— Popocrat.....Weekly
—— Retriever.....Weekly
—— Review of Reforms.....Monthly
—— St. Louis Christian Advocate.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Critic.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Cycle News.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Finance.....Monthly
—— St. Louis Homestead.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Humorist.....Weekly
—— St. Louis Lumberman.....Monthly
—— St Louis Merchants' Journal.....Weekly
—— Schalk.....Weekly
—— School and Home.....Fortnightly
—— Shoe and Leather Gazette.....Weekly
—— Smith Academy Record...8 times a Year
—— South Side Reporter.....Weekly
—— Sporting News.....Weekly
—— Squib.....Weekly
—— States Duty.....Monthly
—— Stoves and Hardware Reporter...Weekly
—— Student Life.....Monthly
—— Tygodnik Polski.....Weekly
—— Wage Earner and Self Culture Club Bulletin.....Monthly
—— War Cry.....Weekly
Salmon, *Idaho*, Lemhi Republic.....Weekly
San Antonia, *Tex*. Industrial World..Monthly
San Francisco. California Architect.....Monthly
—— Insurance Sun.....Monthly
—— Mining and Scientific Press.....Weekly
—— Something Different.....Weekly
—— Star.....Weekly
—— Sunset.....Monthly
South Gastonbury, *Conn*. Fruits of Water.....Monthly
Springfield, *Mo*. Over the Tea Cups..Weekly
Stuttgart, *Ger*. Antiquitäten-Zeitung..Weekly
Syracuse, *N. Y*. Journal of Pedagogy.....Quarterly
Tennessee City, *Tenn*. Coming Nation.....Weekly
Terre Haute, *Ind*. Vaccination.....Monthly
Topeka. Western School Journal.....Monthly
Toronto. Canada Educational.....Monthly
—— Canadian Philatelic Weekly.....Weekly
—— Fred Bury's Journal.....Monthly
—— Searchlight.....Monthly
Urbana, *Ill*. New Philosophy.....Monthly
Urbana, *O*. University Courant.....Monthly
Vineland, *N. J*. Cosmos.....Monthly
Wardner, *B. C*. International.....Weekly
Washington, *D. C*. American Federationist.....Monthly
—— American Inventor.....Weekly
—— Forester.....Monthly
—— Inventive Age.....Monthly
—— Postal Record.....Monthly
—— Uncle Sam's American Flag.....Weekly
—— U. S. Congressional Records.
—— U. S. Consular Reports.....Monthly
—— U. S. Consular Reports—Special, Irregular
—— U. S. Patent Office. Official Gazette.....Weekly
—— U. S. Public Health Reports.....Weekly
—— U. S. Weather Bureau.....Monthly
Wilmington, *Del*. "Justice".....Weekly

APPENDIX No. III.

MISSOURI STATUTES RELATING TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES,

TOGETHER WITH THE

ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS.

Chapter 91, Article XIX, Revised Statutes of Missouri.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES AND BUILDINGS.

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SECTION 6466. *Library fund in cities, when tax may be levied—election, etc.*—When one hundred tax-paying voters of any incorporated city shall petition the mayor and common council asking that an annual tax be levied for the establishment and maintenance of a free public library in such incorporated city, and shall specify in their petition a rate of taxation, not to exceed two mills on the dollar annually, and in cities of over one hundred thousand inhabitants not to exceed two-fifths of one mill annually, on all the taxable property in the city, such mayor and common council shall direct the proper officer to give notice in his next legal notice of the annual election, or special election which may be called for the purpose of voting on such question, that at such election every voter may vote "for a mill tax for a free public library," or "against a mill tax for a free public library," specifying in such notice the rate of taxation mentioned in said petition; and if the majority of votes cast on such proposition shall be "for the tax for the free public library," the tax specified in such notice shall be levied and collected in like manner with other general taxes of such incorporated city, and shall be known as the "library fund:" *Provided*, that such tax shall cease in case the legal voters of any such incorporated city shall so determine by a majority vote at any annual election held therein." Approved, March 9, 1901. Laws, 1901, p. 84. (R. S. 1899, amended).

SEC. 6467. *Directors.*—When any incorporated city shall have decided to establish and maintain a public library and reading-room under this article, the mayor of such city shall, with the approval of the legislative branch of the municipal government, proceed to appoint a board of nine directors for the same, chosen from the citizens at large, with reference to their fitness for such office; and no member of the municipal government shall be a member of said board.

SEC. 6468. *Term of office—removal.*—Said directors shall hold office one-

third for one year, one-third for two years and one-third for three years, from the first of June following their appointment, and at their first regular meeting shall cast lots for the respective terms; and, annually thereafter, the mayor shall, before the first of June of each year, appoint, as before, three directors, who shall hold office for three years and until their successors are appointed. The mayor may, by and with the consent of the legislative branch of the municipal government, remove any director for misconduct or neglect of duty.

SEC. 6469. *Vacancies—no compensation.*—Vacancies in the board of directors, occasioned by removals, resignations or otherwise, shall be reported to the city council, and be filled in like manner as original appointments, and no director shall receive compensation as such, and no person shall be employed by such board of library directors who is related either by blood or by marriage to any director of said board. Approved, March 20, 1901. Laws, 1901, p. 85. (R. S. 1899, amended).

SEC. 6470. *Organization—powers of directors—funds.*—Said directors shall, immediately after appointment, meet and organize by the election of one of their number president, and by the election of such other officers as they may deem necessary. They shall make and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for their own guidance, and for the government of the library and reading-room, as may be expedient, not inconsistent with this article. They shall have the exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected to the credit of the library fund, and of the construction of any library building, and of the supervision, care and custody of the grounds, rooms or buildings constructed, leased or set apart for that purpose; provided, that all moneys received for such library shall be deposited in the treasury of said city or village to the credit of the library fund, and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys of such city or village, and drawn upon by the proper officers of said city or village upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the library board. Said board shall have power to purchase or lease grounds, to occupy, lease or erect an appropriate building or buildings for the use of the said library; shall have power to appoint a suitable librarian and necessary assistants, and fix their compensation, and shall also have power to remove such appointees; and shall, in general, carry out the spirit and intent of this article, in establishing and maintaining a public library and reading-room.

SEC. 6471. *Who may use library.*—Every library and reading-room established under this article shall be forever free to the use of the inhabitants of the city where located, always subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as the library board may adopt in order to render the use of said library and reading-room of the greatest benefit to the greatest number; and said board may exclude from the use of said library and reading-room any and all persons who shall willfully violate such rules; and said board may extend the privileges and use of such library and reading-room to persons residing outside of such city in this state, upon such terms and conditions as said board may, from time to time, by its regulations prescribe.

SEC. 6472. *Annual report, what to contain.*—The said board of directors shall make, on or before the second Monday in June, an annual report to the city council, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of May of that year, the various sums of money received from the library fund and from other sources, and how such moneys have been expended and for what purposes; the number of books and periodicals on hand, the number added by purchase, gift or otherwise, during the year; the number and general character and kind of such books, with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest. All such portions of said report as relate to the receipt and expenditure of money, as well as the number of books on hand, books lost or missing, and books purchased, shall be verified by affidavit.

SEC. 6473. *Council may provide penalties.*—The city council of said city or village shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penal-

ties for the punishment of persons committing injury upon such library or the grounds, or other property thereof, and for injury to or failure to return any book belonging to such library.

SEC. 6474. *Donations.*—Any person desiring to make donations of money, personal property or real estate for the benefit of such library, shall have the right to vest the title to the money or real estate so donated in the board of directors created under this article, to be held and controlled by such board, when accepted according to the terms of the deed, gift, devise or bequest of such property; and as to such property the said board shall be held and considered to be special trustees.

SEC. 6475. *Proceedings in village or township.*—When fifty legal voters or any incorporated village or township shall petition the proper authorities, asking that an annual tax may be levied for the establishment and maintenance of a free public library in such village or township, and shall specify in their petition, a rate of taxation not to exceed two mills on the dollar, such officers shall, in the next legal notice of the regular annual election in such village or township, give notice that at such election every voter may vote "for a mill tax for a free public library," or "against a mill tax for a free public library," specifying in such notice the rate of taxation mentioned in said petition; and if the majority of all the votes cast in such village or township shall be "for the tax for a free public library," the tax specified in such notice shall be levied and collected in like manner with other general taxes of said village or township and shall be known as the "library fund:" *Provided*, that such tax shall cease in case the legal voters of any such village or township shall so determine, by a majority vote, at any annual election held therein, and the corporate authorities of such villages or townships may exercise the same powers conferred upon the corporate authorities of cities under this article.

SEC. 6476. *Election of directors, etc.*—At the next regular election after any town, village or township shall have voted to establish a free public library, there shall be elected a library board of six directors, one-third for one year, one-third for two years, and one-third for three years; and annually thereafter there shall be elected two directors, who shall hold their office for three years, and until their successors are elected and qualified, which board shall have the same powers as by this article are conferred upon the board of directors of free public libraries in cities.

SEC. 6477. *Library—county court of certain counties may contract with officers of, etc., when.*—The county court in any county wherein is situated an incorporated city containing a free public library, whenever petitioned by one hundred or more tax-paying citizens of said city, and one hundred or more tax-paying citizens of said county, residing outside of said city, for the use by the citizens of said county residing outside of said city, of said library, shall have the right to contract with the officers of said library for such use thereof by said citizens of said county residing outside of the city, and to appropriate moneys from the county revenue of said county therefor, and thereafter to continue such contract or renewals thereof from year to year: *Provided*, that the annual amount so contracted to be paid and appropriated shall not exceed 3 per cent of the county revenue for the year out of which payment is to be made. (New section.)

SEC. 6478. *How library building fund may be created—election, how and when ordered.*—Whenever in any incorporated city which has decided or shall hereafter decide to establish and maintain a public library and reading-room under the provisions of this article one hundred tax-paying voters of any such incorporated city shall petition the proper authorities, asking that an annual tax be levied as an increased rate of taxation for the erection of a free public library building in such incorporated city, and shall specify in their petition a rate of taxation not to exceed one and one-half mills on the dollar annually, and not to be levied for more than five years on all taxable property in such incorporated city, and the board of directors of the free public library of such incorpo-

rated city shall deem it necessary that such library building should be erected, and so express its opinion by resolution, then the proper authorities of such incorporated city shall in the next legal notice of a regular election in such incorporated city give notice that at such election every voter may vote for an annual increased rate of taxation for years of mills tax per annum for the erection of a free public library building, specifying in such notice the rate of taxation mentioned in such petition and the period for which it is to be levied, and if two-thirds of the qualified voters of such incorporated city voting at such election shall vote "for the increased tax for the erection of a free public library building," the tax specified in such notice shall be levied and collected in like manner with other general taxes of said incorporated city, and shall be known as "the library building fund," and shall be subject to the exclusive control of said board and be drawn upon by the proper officers of such city upon the properly authenticated vouchers of said board, and be used for the erection of the library building. The fund hereby provided for the erection of a free public building in any such incorporated city shall be in audition to the annual tax levied for the establishment and maintenance of such free public library.

SEC. 6479. *Plans and specifications to be prepared and contract let.*—When it shall have been determined at such election to provide for the erection of a free public library building, as hereinbefore provided, the board of directors of such public library shall proceed to have plans and specifications of a public library building prepared, and shall then take bids thereon for the construction of said building, and shall let the contract therefor to the lowest and best responsible bidder, and shall require of such bidder securities for the performance of his bid. The board may, however, let parts of the material or labor for the erection of the building to different bidders, as to it may seem best.

SEC. 6480. *Board empowered to sell or exchange lot.*—Wherever the board of directors of any public library shall have acquired, or shall hereafter acquire, a lot or tract of land, and said board may determine that it is not judicious to erect the library building upon such lot, said board is empowered to sell or exchange such lot and to use the proceeds of such sale or exchange for the purposes of a site for a library building, or for the erection of a library building on any other land purchased or leased by or donated to said board and which it may deem suitable to said building: *Provided*, sections 6478, 6479 and 6480 shall not apply to cities under ten thousand inhabitants.

SEC. 6481. *Public library in cities of over* 300,000 *inhabitants —directors.*—When any incorporated city containing over three hundred thousand inhabitants shall have decided to establish and maintain a public library and reading-room, under this article, the mayor of such city shall, with the approval of the city council, proceed to appoint a board of nine directors for the same, chosen from the citizens at large, with reference to their fitness for such office; and no member of the municipal government shall be a member of said board: *Provided*, that not more than five of such directors shall be members of the same political party.

SEC. 6482. *Term of office—removal.*—Said directors shall hold office, one-third for one year, one-third for two years and one-third for three years, from the first of June following their appointment, and at their first regular meeting shall cast lots for their respective terms; and annually thereafter, the mayor shall, before the first of June of each year appoint, as before, three directors, who shall hold office for three years, and until their successors are appointed. The mayor may, by and with the consent of the city council, remove any director for misconduct or neglect of duty.

SEC. 6483. *Vacancies—no compensation.*—Vacancies in the board of directors, occasioned by removals, resignation or otherwise, shall be reported to the mayor, and be filled in like manner as original appointments, and no director shall receive compensation as such.

SEC. 6484. *Duty of board of directors—appointment of officers—*

powers, etc.—Said directors shall be known and styled in their corporate name as the board of directors of the public library, and in such name may exercise the powers hereinafter granted. They shall, immediately after appointment, meet and organize by the election of one of their number as president, and by the election of such other officers as they may deem necessary. They shall make and adopt such by-laws, rules and regulations for their own guidance, and for the government of the library and reading-room, as may be expedient, not inconsistent with this article. They shall have the exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys collected to the credit of the library fund, and of the construction of any library building, and of the supervision, care and custody of the grounds, rooms or buildings constructed, leased or set apart for that purpose; provided that all moneys received for such library shall be deposited in the treasury of said city, to the credit of the library fund, and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys of such city, and drawn upon by the proper officers of said city, upon the properly authenticated vouchers of the library board. Said board shall have power to purchase, hold or lease grounds, to occupy, lease or erect an appropriate building or buildings for the use of the said library, and to issue bonds, secured by deed of trust on any land of which they may be possessed, for the purpose of erecting library buildings, and for no other purpose; and all property by such board purchased, or otherwise obtained, shall vest in such board as a body corporate, and be held by it in trust. They shall have power to appoint a suitable librarian and necessary assistants, and fix their compensation, and shall also have power to remove such appointees; and shall, in general, carry out the spirit and intent of this article in establishing and maintaining a public library and reading-room.

SEC. 6485. *Board shall make annual report to mayor—contents.*—The said board of directors shall make, on or before the second Monday in June, an annual report to the mayor, stating the condition of their trust on the first day of May of that year, the various sums of money received from the library fund and from other sources, and how such moneys have been expended and for what purposes; the number of books and periodicals on hand, the number added by purchase, gift or otherwise, during the year; the number and general character and kind of such books, with such other statistics, information and suggestions as they may deem of general interest. All such portions of said report as relate to the receipt and expenditure of money, as well as the number of books on hand, books lost or missing, and books purchased, shall be verified by affidavit.

SEC. 6486. *Penalties, how imposed.*—The said cities shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penalties for the punishment of persons committing injury upon such library, or the grounds or other property thereof, and for injury to or failure to return any book belonging to such library.

CITY ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE for the protection of the property of the Public (Free) Library of St. Louis and for the punishment of persons injuring or failing to return the same.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Assembly of St. Louis, as follows:

SECTION 1. Every person who shall take from the Public (Free) Library any book, pamphlet, periodical, paper or other property, except in accordance with the rules of such library, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine in the sum of not less than $5 nor more than $25 for each offense.

SEC. 2. Every person who shall take or borrow from the Public (Free) Library any book, pamphlet, periodical, paper or other property, and neglect to return the same within two weeks from the date of mailing a notice to his address, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine in the sum of not less than $1 nor more than $10 for each offense.

SEC. 3. Every person who shall willfully and wantonly cut, mutilate, mark, tear, write upon, deface, or otherwise destroy or injure, in whole or in part, any book, pamphlet, periodical, map, document, picture, or written or engraved or printed paper, belonging to the Public (Free) Library, or shall suffer any such injury to be inflicted while such property is in his custody, or shall willfully or wantonly injure any of the furniture or property in the building of the Library, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine in the sum of not less than $5 nor more than $100.

SEC. 4. All fines collected under this ordinance shall be paid over to the Free Library Fund for the use of the Library, and it shall be the duty of the City Attorney promptly to prosecute all violations of this ordinance.

Approved April 9th, 1894.

CITY ORDINANCE.

AN ORDINANCE to prevent contagion from books of the Public Library, defining the duties of the Health Commissioner in relation thereto, and providing penalties for the violation of said provisions.

Be it ordained by the Municipal Assembly of the City of St. Louis, as follows:

SECTION 1. It is hereby made the duty of the Health Commissioner, whenever any house is posted by the Health Department as having a contagious disease therein, immediately to notify the Public Library Board thereof; and such report to the Library Board of the houses so posted shall be made daily by the Health Commissioner.

SEC. 2. Whenever any notice of contagious disease is posted upon any house by the Health Department, the agent of said department putting up said notice shall inquire at the time if the house contains any book, periodical or pamphlet belonging to the Public Library, and shall thereupon demand and take immediate possession of said book, periodical or pamphlet, and remove the same to the office of the Health Department; and the Health Commissioner shall immediately notify the Public Library, giving the number and name of the book, periodical or pamphlet, and the house where received; and the Health Commissioner shall immediately cause said books, periodicals or pamphlets to be disinfected and returned to the Library.

SEC. 3. Any person in whose family there is a contagious disease who does not promptly report and surrender to the Health Commissioner any book, periodical or pamphlet belonging to the Public Library, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not less than $5 nor more than $25.

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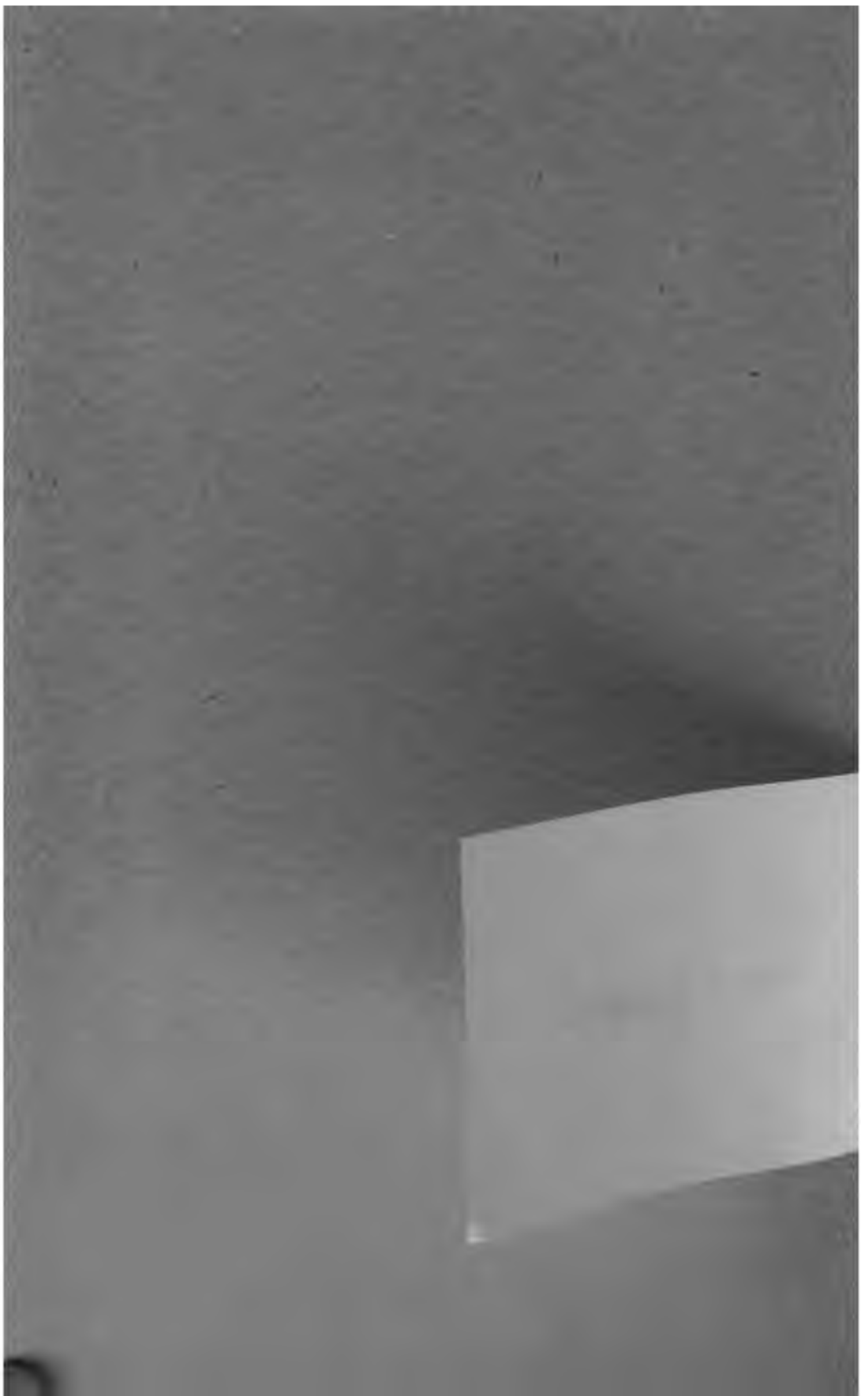
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T. A. MEYSENBURG	1902
JOHN A. NIES	1900
EDWARD L. PREETORIUS	1902
ELLIS WAINWRIGHT	1900
Two vacancies filled in October, 1899, by the appointment of	
O'NEILL RYAN	1902
JOHN F. LEE	1901

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JUNE, 1900—MAY, 1901.

		Term Expires.
BENJAMIN EISEMAN	(Holding over)	1900
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F. W. LEHMANN		1901
WM. MAFFITT		1901
T. A. MEYSENBURG		1902
JOHN A. NIES	(Holding over)	1900
EDWARD L. PREETORIUS		1902
O'NEILL RYAN		1902
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MAY, 1900.

Librarian FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN.

Assistant Librarian JOSEPH F. LANGTON.

JONATHAN W. GEORGE	Second Assistant—Issue Department.
SULA WAGNER	Chief Cataloguer.
MRS. L. SPECK	General Assistant.
HENRY F. WOODS	Superintendent of Delivery Stations.
PIERCE B. BARNARD	Shelf Curator.
MRS. M. MYERS	Superintendent Reading Room.
JULIA KRUG	Superintendent Juvenile Room.
SYLVIA M. ALLEN	Issue Clerk.
ELSE MILLER	Accountant.
CELESTE SPECK	Registration Clerk.
ROSA M. LEEPER	Pamphlets and Exchanges.
KATHARINE T. MOODY	Assistant Cataloguer.
HELEN TUTT	Assistant Cataloguer.
CLARA R. DEAN	Junior Clerk.
EDMUND J. McMAHON	Junior Clerk.
JOSEPH BRANNIGAN	Junior Clerk.
JOHN L. PARKER	Junior Clerk.
W. B. A. TAYLOR	Junior Clerk.
JAMES HACKETT	Junior Clerk.

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LULA M. WESCOAT. ADELAIDE HOWE.

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PETER WALKER.	CHARLES STODDER.
EUGENE WALSER.	OSCAR EVERS.
GEORGE KNOPP.	THEO. FELSCH.

BINDER.

JOSIE SHEEHAN.

JANITORS.

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MRS. M. DETWEILER	Assistant.	J. C. THOMAS	Assistant.
ALBERT DUVALL	Assistant.		

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE

ST. LOUIS PUBLIC (FREE) LIBRARY.

ST. LOUIS, MO., May, 1900.

Hon. Henry Ziegenhein, Mayor of St. Louis:

DEAR SIR—I have to submit herewith the report of Mr. F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the Public Library, for the year ending April 30th, 1900.

This report shows in detail the receipts and expenditures of the Board and the practical operations of the Library during the year.

Through the munificence and public spirit of Mr. Carnegie, of New York, an opportunity has been accorded to our people to greatly enlarge the scope of the Library's utility.

Mr. Carnegie has offered to donate to the Board one million of dollars, one-half of which is to be used in the construction of a main or central building, and the other half in the construction of branches, as these may be required from time to time.

The conditions of this offer are that the city shall provide free sites for the buildings and also provide a maintenance fund of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars per year. The proposition to provide the maintenance fund is now before the people and it is believed will meet with their approval.

To procure unincumbered sites, there are no public funds available. Mr. William Barr has, however, offered to donate one site for

a branch building, and the Lindell Realty Company has made a similar offer. The Board feels assured that there will be no difficulty in getting sites for the branch buildings.

For the purpose of a central building, the Board some years ago acquired the block between Seventeenth and Eighteenth and Olive and Locust Streets. This property is, however, heavily encumbered, and after selling all its outside property the Board would need three hundred thousand dollars to clear the block described. To secure this it is dependent upon the liberality of our citizens.

It would greatly help to the solution of the problem if the block, belonging to the city, and now occupied by the Exposition building, could be restored as a park and the library building located therein. The Board believes that the money to discharge all just claims against this property could be secured, thus leaving the value of the equity in the block now held by the Board to be added to the building fund.

The Exposition block is also believed to be the best available site for the central library, and it is earnestly prayed that the city government will co-operate in all proper ways to secure it for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. LEHMANN,

President of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public Library.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report for the year ending with April 30, 1900. As no report has been published for three years, and as in addition to my monthly report I have twice a year, at the end of the calendar and the fiscal year, presented a report on the general condition of the Library, I limit this to a statistical showing of the work done during the year from May 1, 1899, to April 30, 1900.

FINANCES.

RECEIPTS.—The amount received from taxes was $73,781.47, an increase of $2,441.34 over the previous year.

The desk receipts were $4,392.48, an increase of $490.78. This increase comes from the Collection of Duplicates, the income from which was $1,300.30, a gain of $543.72. This is the largest amount ever collected in one year from this source, and is due in a great measure to the open shelves.

No separate account has ever been kept with the Collection of Duplicates; but taking the expenditures from the receipts for the last seven years, we have a balance of $2,089.42 to the credit of the Collection.

Necessity compelling the use of the Bank Fund for maintainance during the spring and summer months, the interest on current deposits was $426.36 less than the year before. There was an increase of $616.95 in rentals.

EXPENDITURES.—Salaries were $76.99 less than the year before. This may be accounted for by the numerous resignations—the new employes coming in with minimum salaries, while several of those who left had reached the maximum. By the new lease with the Board of Education, a saving of $3,131.26 was effected. The item for furniture and repairs includes three turnstiles, book cases and toilet room on the seventh floor; remodeling the juvenile room and delivery station room. The expenditure for printing and stationery was less than the year before by $1,286.94. The excess of the previous year was chiefly for the magazine and German catalogue.

The Delivery Station expenditure increased $280.57; and postage was $70.87 less. The greater part of this last item is for delinquent notices and is no expense to the Library, because it is added to and collected with the fines.

In a table following, the receipts and expenditures for the year and for the past seven years are given in detail. The total receipts have been $540,485.71, and the expenditures,—for maintenance $306,891.61, and for real estate $221,065.89,—a total of $527,957.50.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 9, 1900.

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To bal. in City Treas., April 10, 1899		$ 2467 96	
Collections, April 10, 1899—April 9, 1900		73,781 47	
			$76,249 43
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 10, 1899			1,575 59
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1899			76 07
Collection of Duplicates			
Cards sold	1,243 65		
Magazines sold	56 65		
		1,300 30	
Fines		2,506 41	
Books lost and paid for and sold		226 35	
Catalogues		79 30	
Lost cards		205 60	
Postal cards		26 09	
Miscellaneous		48 43	
Total desk receipts,			4,392 48
Rent (from property bought Jan.,'96, and Apr.,'98,			12,945 50
Interest			39 98
Magazine subscriptions			12 00
Total			95,291 05

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By salaries			24,865 27
Books, Main Library		3,901 51	
Books, Collection of Duplicates		569 98	
Binding		3,172 11	
Periodicals		808 77	
" Collection of Duplicates		248 48	
			8,700 85
Building (interest, notes, etc.)		36,973 36	
Rent		7,500 00	
Light		24 30	
Insurance		576 25	
Furniture and Repairs		704 57	
			45,778 48
Expense.			
Printing and Stationery		939 60	
Delivery Stations		2,005 55	
Postage		181 59	
Sundries		336 90	
Supplies		134 60	
			3,598 24
Total expenditures (including real estate investment)			82,762 84
Bal. in City Treasury, April 9, 1900			3,306 40
Bal. in Bank Fund			9,115 90
Bal. in Contingent Fund			105 91
			$95,291 05

Collection of Duplicates account, 1894-1900.

Receipts	$ 5,163 70	
Expenditures	3,074 28	
Balance		2,089 42

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1900.

RECEIPTS.

	City Collections.	Desk Receipts.	Rent.	Insurance and Wreckage.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1894	$ 49,773 52	$ 113 66				$ 49,887 18
1895	59,035 80	2,593 26			$ 3 41	61,632 47
1896	61,929 51	3,649 98	$ 482 79		87 96	66,150 24
1897	64,663 32	3,741 31	1,879 56		187 72	70,471 91
1898	67,638 45	3,839 86	1,480 00		424 81	73,383 12
1899	71,340 13	3,901 72	12,328 55	$ 39,742 72	476 24	127,789 36
1900	73,781 47	4,392 48	12,945 50		51 98	91,171 43
Total	$448,162.20	$ 22,232.27	$ 29,116.40	$ 39,742.72	$ 1,232.12	$540,485.71

EXPENDITURES.

	Maintenance.	Real Estate.		Total.
1894	$ 2,876 19			$ 2,876 19
1895	43,305 69			43,305 69
1896	52,318 45	$ 40,900 00		93,218 45
1897	48,738 69	24,872 58		73,611 27
1898	58,051 90	29,972 00		88,023 90
1899	55,811 21	88,347 95		144,159 16
1900	45,789 48	36,973 36		82,762 84
Total	$306,891.61	$221,065.89		$527,957.50

REGISTRATION.

The total registration for the year ending April 30,1900, was 52,708, with 48,922 cards in use. Of the 13,055 cards expiring, only 3,652 were re-registered. The majority of those not renewing were children who often get cards through their teachers, and on leaving school drop them for the time being.

A record kept by wards was started last November, and the result for the past six months shows that the registration in the twenty-fourth ward was the largest and that of the seventh ward the smallest. The figures appear below.

Registration to April 30, 1899		50,689
Registered May 1, 1899, to April 30, 1900	7,770	
Re-registered May 1, 1899, to April 30, 1900	3,652	11,422
Total		62,111
Cards expired and not renewed		9,403
Total cards in force.		
Men	13,049	
Women	15,550	
Children	24,004	
Institutions	96	
Total cards in force		52,708
Cards cancelled	292	
Guarantor withdrawn	494	
Held for fines	2,000	3,786
Total cards in use		48,922

REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

Ward 1	197	Ward 17	254
2	275	18	112
3	357	19	277
4	322	20	350
5	115	21	303
6	227	22	363
7	99	23	176
8	133	24	809
9	653	25	417
10	482	26	732
11	308	27	302
12	279	28	611
13	281	Suburban	143
14	168		
15	198	Total	9,213
16	270		

The strain on our finances caused by the necessity of paying notes on building site to the amount of $36,973.36 left very little for the book fund. The additions for the year were, consequently, the least in number and importance since the Library was made free. The figures are given in detail in the following table.

ADDITIONS.

FROM MAY 1, 1889—APRIL 30, 1900.

Classes.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	41		41
Religion	215	1	216
Social Science	843	2	845
Natural Science	694		694
Art and Poetry	217	13	230
Fiction	829	830	1,659
Juvenile Literature	786	5	791
Literary Miscellany	196	14	210
Travels and History	478	9	487
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	268		268
	4,567	874	5,441
Source.			
Purchase	2,575	874	3,449
Gift	1,581		1,581
Pamphlets, bound	183		183
Periodicals, bound	228		228
	4,567	874	5,441
Language.			
English	4,130	874	5,004
French	188		188
German	229		229
Other	20		20
	4,567	874	5,441

MAY 1, 1899—APRIL 30, 1900.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned		2,427
Lost and paid for		137
Destroyed by fire, etc		46
Charged to readers		127
Total		2,737
Total additions	5,441	
Less above	2,737	
Net increase	2,704	

Of the 2,427 volumes worn out, 499 were replaced by new copies; of the 137 volumes lost and paid for, 45 were replaced; and of the 46 volumes destroyed, 6 were replaced.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

The additions to the collection by exchange and gift amount to a total of 3,833 volumes, 6,539 pamphlets, and 479 periodicals. A complete list, with the names of the donors, will be found in an appendix. The more noteworthy gifts were 1,850 volumes and 250 pamphlets from the St. Louis Republic, through the kindness of Mr. Charles W. Knapp; 112 volumes and 25 pamphlets from Hon. John W. Noble; 171 volumes and 15 pamphlets—in French—from Mr. W. A. Gregory; 43 volumes of Victoria Institute Transactions from Mrs. D. S. Tuttle; and 18 directories from the Gould Directory Company.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

A careful inventory showed the following:

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY, JUNE 1, 1900.

Classes.	Ref.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	183	1,207		1,390
Religion	2,145	2,987		5,132
Social Science	13,457	4,856	1	18,314
Natural Science	9,220	7,319		16,539
Art and Poetry	1,384	5,986	3	7,373
Fiction	312	23,301	370	23,983
Juvenile Literature	342	19,754		20,096
Literary Miscellany	1,937	5,195	5	7,137
Travels and History	2,845	12,721	5	15,571
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	9,003	1,492	1	10,496
Total	40,828	84,818	385	126,031
Unentered duplicates and books not yet catalogued, (about)				6,000
Total (about)				132,000

CONTENTS BY ROOMS.

Circulation Department.		
Regular Library	84,495	
Coll. of Duplicates	385	
Froebel Collection	323	
	85,203	
Medical, foreign documents and other reference books in Circulation Department	2,535	87,738

Reference Department.		
Public Document Room		11,431
U. S. (Hall, etc.,)		6,766
Reading-room (other than U. S.)		703
Art Department		2,000
Catalogue Room		298
Office		41
Reference Room	13,870	
McAnally Collection	3,184	17,054
		126,031

BINDING.

During the year 8,486 volumes were sent to the bindery. Of these, 764 volumes, chiefly periodicals, were bound for the first time, and 7,722 were rebound. The average cost of the latter was 40 cents. There were, also, 8,904 volumes repaired in the Library at an average cost of 4 cents a volume.

CIRCULATION.

The total home circulation for the year was 707,823, a gain of 9,484; Library and Reference Room—66,966, a gain of 1,234; Reading Room—201,886, a gain of 6,103: total issue of books and periodicals, 976,675, a gain of 16,281. The chief gain was at the main desk and was almost entirely through the Collection of Duplicates. There was a loss in the Delivery Stations of 1,250, and in supplementary reading of 1,224. This last may be partly explained by the large amount of supplementary reading furnished by the School Board, often duplicating our sets.

The Library was open every day in the year. The largest week-day issue was—home use 5,844, Reading and Reference Room 1,197, a total of 7,041. The smallest week-day issue was—home use 1,330, Reading and Reference Room 462, a total of 1,792. The average daily issue for home use was 1,939. The average Sunday issue was 307.

Figures in detail will be found in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1900.

	HOME ISSUE.						
	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	Schools.	Total.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
May	35935	19468	9617	65020	4554	14774	84348
June	32042	15960	554	48556	3576	12402	64534
July	33911	14950	30	48891	3922	12047	64860
August	33781	14425		48206	4153	10855	63214
September	32775	14395	2200	49370	3880	12242	65492
October	35674	14168	5965	55807	5765	14397	75969
November	38529	15496	8083	62108	6378	18092	86578
December	34145	15498	2359	52002	6594	21611	80207
January	44561	17986	6412	68959	7852	23733	100544
February	37633	17392	5308	60333	6714	22802	89849
March	44938	21549	12176	78663	7234	22686	108583
April	37794	17864	14250	69908	6344	16245	92497
Total	441718	199151	66954	707823	66966	201886	976675
1898-99	429760	200401	68178	698339	65732	195783	959854
Gain	11958			9484	1234	6103	16821
Loss		1250	1224				

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	3386	.47	1131	1.68	4517	.58
Religion	3649	.51	2493	3.72	6142	.79
Social Science	7814	1.11	5312	7.93	13126	1.69
Natural Science	16800	2.37	6999	10.45	23799	3.20
Art	6024	.85	4127	6.17	10151	1.32
Poetry	11455	1.62	5137	7.67	16592	2.12
Fiction	383267	54.14	8898	13.20	392165	50.61
Juvenile	219016	30.94	1057	1.57	220073	28.41
Literary Miscellany	13412	1.88	5543	8.30	18955	2.34
Travels	9529	1.39	3924	6.00	13453	1.74
History	14380	2.03	3536	5.18	17916	2.33
Biography	9262	1.30	7082	10.57	16344	2.10
Cyclopaedias and Magazines	9829	1.39	11727	17.56	21556	2.77
Total	707823	100.00	66966	100.00	774789	100.00

LIBRARY AND READING ROOM ISSUE FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1900.

	Library Use.	Reading Room.	Total.
May	4,554	14,774	19,328
June	3,576	12,402	15,978
July	3,922	12,047	15,969
August	4,153	10,855	15,008
September	3,880	12,242	16,122
October	5,765	14,397	20,162
November	6,378	18,092	24,470
December	6,594	21,611	28,205
January	7,852	23,733	31,585
February	6,714	22,802	29,516
March	7,234	22,686	29,920
April	6,344	16,245	22,589
Total	66,966	201,886	268,852
Average	5,580	16,284	22,404

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1899–1900.

	Home Issue.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
Decoration Day	1,271	162	535	1,968
Fourth of July	209	42	215	466
Labor Day	1,297	130	330	1,757
Thanksgiving Day	378	105	412	895
Christmas Day	37	47	343	427
New Year's Day	387	133	328	848
Washington's Birthday	1,938	235	870	3,043
Total	5,517	854	3,033	9,404
Average	788	122	433	1,343

TOTAL CIRCULATION BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00
Home	331426	472718	551059	647171	698339	707823
Reference and Library	40628	46082	51240	69070	65732	66966
Reading-room	165359	170142	184729	204259	195783	201886
Total	537413	688942	787028	920500	959854	976675

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATE ISSUE BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00
May	612	1394	990	1258	1096	1401
June	542	1222	978	1160	1625	1324
July	643	1192	900	1034	1029	1320
August	733	1225	930	985	1102	1574
September	666	1016	878	972	917	1707
October	771	1130	995	1367	1307	1930
November	931	1302	1046	1643	1281	2230
December	987	1257	1181	1894	1423	2577
January	1190	1469	1389	1858	1507	3062
February	1482	1489	1413	1670	1491	2536
March	1780	1378	1380	1680	1591	3548
April	1649	1085	1396	1394	1446	2755
Total	11986	15159	13476	16915	15815	25984
Average	990	1266	1123	1409	1269	2165

Largest Sunday issue, January 21, 1900.

Library issue	90
Reading-room issue	356
Total	446

Smallest Sunday issue, July 21, 1899.

Library issue	23
Reading-room issue	78
Total	101

Average daily issue.

Home issue	1,939
Library issue	186
Reading-room issue	553
Total	2,678

Average week-day issue.

Home issue	2,261
Library issue	203
Reading-room issue	604
Total	3,068

Total Sunday issue.

Library use	3,379
Reading-room	12,587
Total	15,966

Average Sunday issue.

Library use	65
Reading-room	242
Total	307

DELIVERY STATIONS, DEPOSITORIES, TRAVELING LIBRARIES, ETC.

Out of a total of 707,823 volumes drawn for reading outside of the Library, 266,105 were distributed through delivery stations or by means of boxes of books that were sent to the public schools, or from small collections deposited in public schools and Sunday schools, in self-culture halls, social settlements, etc. At the close of the year forty delivery stations were in operation, of which twenty had daily deliveries and the others deliveries twice a week. Sets of supplementary reading to the number of 228 went on their rounds through the schools. In March a number of public schools in the outlying sections of the city were supplied with collections for permanent deposit. Collections had previously been deposited in a number of Sunday schools, several self-culture halls, social settlements and one factory. A number of the Sunday school collections were withdrawn and the size of others decreased, because they were so little used. It has been difficult to

obtain regular reports from some Sunday schools, and in a few cases trouble has been experienced in securing the return of books.

We had, at the close of the year, 228 sets, each containing twenty-five or thirty copies of a book carefully chosen for supplementary reading, which during the year were drawn by the following schools:

Columbia, Stoddard, Penrose, Clinton, Lyon, Carr, Hodgen, Cote Brilliante, Sherman, Pestalozzi, Riddick, Meramac, Carondelet, Ames, Arlington, Webster, Clifton Heights, Laclede, Benton, Chouteau, Harrison, Gratiot, Elleardville, Eliot, Pope, Dozier, Shepard, Grant, Humboldt, Fremont, Franklin, Ashland, Shields, Monroe, Madison, L'Ouverture, Garnett, Wheatley, Jackson, Marquette, Walnut Park, Froebel, Mt. Pleasant, Charless, Lafayette, Adams, Irving Night School, Douglas, Des Peres, Washington, Clay, Jefferson, Wayman Crow, Dumas.

The registration through the delivery stations was 4,060.

The collections at railway power houses were withdrawn during the year, as the issue did not justify their continuance.

After January 1st, under a new and more favorable contract, arrangements were made for daily deliveries at ten additional stations, making in all twenty stations thus served.

The whole station system is divided into north and south routes, the wagon from the first of which is scheduled to arrive at the Library at 9 A.M., leaving at 11 A.M. The second arrives at 10:45 A.M., and leaves at 2 P.M. The new contractor has provided for the service two strong wagons, appropriately lettered, with hardy stock, and the service is all that was promised and highly satisfactory. Changes in the arrangement of the room have greatly facilitated the work of this department. Printed rules have been framed and hung up in every station.

The issue of each station is given in the following table:

1	6,312	21	2,991
2	8,206	22	11,346
3	3,443	23	7,125
4	7,085	24	3,415
5	4,560	25	8,641
6	3,466	26	1,258
7	3,313	27	2,859
8	4,710	28	1,158
9	1,317	29	4,503
10	7,259	30	3,219
11	3,668	31	2,746
12	2,548	32	1,964
13	2,252	33	8,293
14	16,766	34	2,419
15	2,924	35	731
16	4,721	36	3,556
17	3,719	37	2,005
18	5,765	38	3,542
19	4,968	39	268
20	8,007	40	359

Public schools (supplementary reading), 66,954; Shepard School (depository), 2,908; Second Baptist Sunday School (weekly delivery), 5,332; Sunday schools and other depositories, 12,624; railway power houses, 599; self-culture hall, 281; total, 266,105.

MR. CARNEGIE'S GIFT.

The presentation of this report comes at the dawning of a new epoch in the history of the Library. The generous offer of Mr. Carnegie, with its wise conditions of self-help, will immeasurably increase the influence of the institution. His gift will supply the most pressing need, a commodious, fireproof and convenient building; and the conditions attached to it will provide for the proper maintenance of the Library and the branches to be built in the next few years; and by the time a larger revenue shall be needed, the benefits of the expanded library will be so manifest that the public will be willing to vote a farther increase of the rate, if the growth of assessed valuation does not keep pace with the developing system of branch libraries. Thanks to Mr. Carnegie's munificence, the future we had hoped for and believed in is at hand.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius, personally known to me, who, being duly sworn by me, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1900, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, a notary public for the city of St. Louis, this first day of April, 1901.

(Seal.) H. A. BERKEMEYER,

My term expires June 10, 1902.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed before me this 1st day of April, 1901.

(Seal.) GUSTAVUS M. BAARE,
Notary Public.

My term expires March 13, 1905.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS, MAY 1, 1899—APRIL 30, 1900.

3833 volumes and 6539 pamphlets, 479 periodicals, were received as exchanges and donations from 1435 sources, as follows:—

	Vols.	Pphs.
Abell, A. S. & Co. Baltimore		1
Academy of Natural Science		1
Aguilar Free Library. N. Y. City		7
Alabama. Agric. Exp. Station		4
—— Geol. Survey		3
—— State Auditor		2
—— Industrial and Scientific Soc		3
—— State Bar Assoc		9
Allerton, W. S. N. Y. City	1	
Amer. Academy of Polit. and Social Science		3
Amer. Agriculturist Library		1
Amer. Anti-Imperialist League		12
Amer. Anti-Trust League		58
Amer. Antiquarian Soc		1
Amer. Assoc. for Advancement of Science	1	
Amer. Banker's Assoc	1	
Amer. Baptist Publication Soc		1
Amer. Bar Assoc	1	
Amer. Board of Comm. for Foreign Missions		16
Amer. Book Co	9	
Amer. Church Missionary Soc		5
Amer. Climatological Assoc	1	
Amer. Colonization Soc		4
Amer. Congregational Soc		2
Amer. Fisheries Soc		7
Amer. Institute of Architects		2
Amer. Inst. of Electrical Engineers	1	
Amer. Inst. of Homœopathy	1	
Amer. Laryngological Asso	1	
Amer. Medico-Psychological Assoc	1	
Amer. National Red Cross Relief Comm		1
Amer. Negro Academy		5
Amer. Numismatic and Archæological Soc		1
Amer. Park and Outdoor Art Assoc		2
Amer. School of Osteopathy		7
Amer. Social Science Assoc	1	
Amer. Soc. for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals		2
Amer. Soc. of Civil Engineers	2	
Amer. Swedenborg Printing & Publ. Co	3	
Amer. Union League Soc	1	
Amer. Unitarian Assoc		1
Amer. Waltham Watch Co. Waltham, *Mass*		6
Amherst College. Amherst, *Mass*		4
Anglo-Amer. Publ. Co. N. Y. City		5
Anonymous	18	14
Anti-Imperialist League. Wash., *D. C*		39
Arizona. Agricultural Exp. Station		3
Arkansas. Bureau of Mines		1
Armour Inst. of Technology. Chicago, *Ill*		1
Art League of St. Louis		3
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R. R. Co		2
Augsburg Carding & Spinning Mill. Augsburg, *Germany*		1
Australia. Dept. of Land and Surveys	1	6
Baille's Institution. Free Library. Glasgow, *Scotland*		1
Baldwin, F. S. Boston		1
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce	16	
—— City Library	3	
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library		1
Banta, T. M. N. Y. City	1	
Barbee, *Mrs.* C. M		1
Barnes Medical College. St. Louis		1
Bate, W. B. Nashville, *Tenn*		1
Bayer Company, Ltd. Elberfeld, *Germany*	5	2
Beebe Town Library. Wakefield, *Mass*		1
Belgium. Dept. of Agric. and Public Works		27
—— Dept. of Foreign Affairs		5
—— Dept. of Interior and Pub. Instruction		1
Belleville, *Ill.* Public Library	1	1
Berlin. Bur. of Statistics		1
—— Magistrates	3	
Bernd, H. St. Louis		1
Birmingham, *Ala.* Public Schools		1
Birmingham, *Eng.* Free Libraries Comm		1
Blaetter für Volksbibliotheken. Leipzig, *Ger*		1
Borgen, V. Copenhagen, *Denmark*		1
Boston. Auditor	1	
—— Board of Overseers of the Poor		2
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Children's Aid Soc		1
—— Children's Institutions Dept	1	1
—— Dept. of Parks		1
—— Health Dept	1	3
—— Improved Dwelling Assoc		1
—— Industrial Aid Soc		1
—— Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children		1
—— Mayor		1
—— Museum of Fine Arts		1
—— Provident Assoc		5
—— Public Library	41	88
—— School Committee	4	17
—— Soc. for Medical Improvement	1	
—— Architectural Club	1	
—— Athenæum		1
—— Bar Assoc		1
—— Book Co		5
—— Transit Commission	4	
—— Women's Educational and Industrial Union		1
—— Young Men's Christian Union	1	
Bostonian Society		1
Bowditch, *Dr.* V. Y. Boston		3
Bowdoin College. Brunswick, *Me.*	1	3
Boyd, D. Greeley, *Colo*	1	
Branch, C. St. Louis	1	
Brandenberger, W. A. St. Louis	3	
Breslau, H. Handelshammer. *Prussia*		1
Bridgeport Public Library. *Conn.*		1
Brinley heirs. Phil		5
Bristol (*Eng.*) Public Library		1
Broadhead, G. C. Columbia, *Mo.*		1
Brockton, *Mass.* Public Library		6

	Vols.	Pphs.
Bronson Library. Waterbury, *Conn*		3
Brookline, *Mass*. Public Library		18
—— Educational Society		1
Brooklyn, *N. Y*. Public Library		2
Brosnahan, *Rev*. T. Woodstock, *Md*	1	1
Brown University. Providence, *R. I*	1	
Buchmueller, S. St Louis		12
Buffalo. Charity Organizations Society		1
—— Public Library		5
Bunker Hill Boys' Club		1
Bunker Hill Monument Assoc	1	
Burnham, *Rev*. M. St. Louis		13
Burr, *Mrs*. C. P. St. Louis		9
Bussey Institution. Jamaica Plains, *Mass*		1
Byars, W. V. Kirkwood, *Mo*		1
Byford, *Dr*. H. T. Phil	1	
Bynum, *Hon*. W. D. Indianapolis, *Ind*		11
Caffin, *Miss* M. B. Boston		1
California. Bur. of Labor Statistics	1	
—— Insurance Comm'r	2	2
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Agricultural Soc		1
—— State Library	3	11
—— State Mining Bur		3
—— University of California	1	11
Cambridge, *Eng*. Public Library		1
Cambridge, *Mass*. Public Library		1
Canada. Auditor General	2	1
—— Dept. of Agric		1
—— Dept. of Trade and Commerce	2	13
—— Geographic Board		1
—— Geol. Survey Dept	1	9
—— Inland Revenue Dept		5
—— Secretary of State		2
—— Supt. of Immigration		2
Cannon, J. G. N. Y. City		15
Carlsruhe. Bibliothek des Polytechnicums. *Germany*		6
—— Grossherzoglich Badische Landes-Gewerbehalle		5
Carnegie Free Library. Allegheny, *Pa*		3
Carnegie Library. Homestead, *Pa*		4
Carnegie Library. Pittsburgh, *Pa*		6
Carter, T. W. St. Louis	1	
Castle Square Opera Co. St. Louis	1	
Century Theater. St. Louis	1	
Chadwick, *Rev*. J. W		1
Chavannes, A. Knoxville, *Tenn*		10
Chicago. Academy of Sciences		19
—— Board of Public Works	4	
—— Bur. of Justice		5
—— Comm. on Education	4	
—— Fire Marshal		1
—— Public Library		1
—— South Park Comm'rs		1
—— University of Chicago	1	2
Children's Home Soc. of Missouri		1
Chivers, C. Bath, *Eng*	1	
Cincinnati. Comm'rs of Water Works	4	
—— Observatory		1
—— Public Library		6
Clark, *Hon*. C. Bowling Green, *Mo*		3
Clark, G. T. Oswego, *N. Y*		1
Clark, U. San Jose, *California*	1	13
Clayton, H. D. Eufaula, *Ala*		1
Clerkenwell, London, *Eng*. Public Library		1
Cleveland. Bd. of Education		2
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— City Clerk	1	
—— Municipal Assoc		6
Clive, W. B. London, *Eng*	1	
Cockrell, *Hon*. F. M. Warrensburg, *Mo*		1
College Settlements Assoc. N. Y. City		1
Colorado. Agric. Exp. Station		4
—— Bur. of Mines		5
—— State Fish Comm'r		1
—— State Insurance Dept	1	1
—— State School of Mines		2
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	2	2
—— University. Boulder, *Colo*		1
Columbia Theater. St. Louis	1	
Columbia University. N. Y. City	2	
Columbian University. Washington, *D. C*		1
Columbus, *O*. Public School Library		2
Concord, *N. H*. Public Library		1
Congregational Home Missionary Soc		2
Connecticut. Bank Commr's		1
—— Bd. of Agric	1	
—— Bd. of Education	3	
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	1	
—— Inspector of Factories	1	
—— R. R. Commr's	1	1
—— State Bd. of Health	1	
—— State Library	7	3
Continental Filter Co. N. Y. City		1
Corey, D. P. Malden, *Mass*		1
Cornell, *Rev*. F. W. St. Louis		1
Cornell Univ. Agric. Exp. Station. Ithaca, *N. Y*		35
Cotgreave, A. London, *Eng*		5
Council Bluffs, *Iowa*. Free Public Library		1
Crunden, *Mrs*. F. M. St. Louis		5
Crunden, F. M St. Louis	5	50
Cuba. Supt. of Schools. Havana, *Cuba*	1	
Cundall, J. W. London, *Eng*	2	
Dana, C. A. N. Y. City	1	
Daniels, W. C. Denver, *Colo*		2
Dartmouth College. Hanover, *N. H*		1
Day, *Rev*. J. W. St. Louis		2
Dayton, *O*. Public Library		2
De Fiers, H. Paris, *France*	1	
Deiler, J. H. New Orleans, *La*		3
De Laval Separator Co. N. Y. City		4
Delaware. Adjutant General	1	
Denison, *Dr*. C. Denver		2
Denver. Bur. of Health		6
Depew, *Hon*. C. M. N. Y. City		3
Des Moines. Public Library	1	
Detroit. Bd. of Education		1
—— Public Library	1	
Diescher, S. Pittsburgh, *Pa*		4
District of Col. Charities and Reform Insts	1	
—— Public Library		1
Dr. Barnardo's Home. London, *Eng*		1
Doneghy, *Mrs*. J. C. St. Louis		264
Dover, *N. H*. Public Library		2
Drexel Institute. Phil		4
Du Chastel, O. Paris, *France*		1
Dunlop, G. H. Hollywood, *Cal*		1
Eaton, B. D. M. St. Louis	1	
Eaton & Co. Chicago	1	
Eau Claire, *Wis*. Public Library		1
Elisha Mitchell Scientific Soc. Chapel Hill, *N. C*		2
Emmet, *Dr*. T. A. New York City	1	
Enoch Pratt Free Library. Baltimore		1
Essex Institute. Salem, *Mass*		1
Evanston, *Ill*. Free Public Library		1
Fairbrother, *Dr*. H. C. East St. Louis, *Ill*		1
Fall River, *Mass*. Public Library		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Field Columbian Museum. Chicago		17
Fletcher Free Library. Burlington, *Vt*		1
Florida. Agric. Exp. Station		4
—— Secretary of State		3
Forbes Library. Northampton, *Mass*		1
Fourteenth Street Theatre. St. Louis	1	
France. Ministère des Travaux Publics		2
Frankfurt a. M. Freiherrlich Carl von Rothschild'sche öffenliche Bibliothek		1
Friends Free Library. Germantown, *Pa*		1
Furst, *Prof.* C. B. Phil		1
"Gael." N. Y. City		62
Georgia. Commr. of Prisons		1
—— Experiment Station	1	5
Glasgow, *Scotland*. University	1	
Gloversville, *N. Y.* Free Library		1
Göttingen. Royal Univ. Library		1
Gould Directory Co. St. Louis	73	
Grand Opera House. St. Louis	1	
Grand Rapids, *Mich.* Public Library		1
Green, *Dr.* S. A. Boston	1	8
Green, *Dr.* W. C. St Louis	47	
Gregory, W. A. Paris, *France*	171	15
Gross Medical College. Denver, *Colo*		1
Grosvernor Public Library. Buffalo		2
Guthrie, K. S. Oaklyn, *N. J.*		2
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children. Boston		1
Haggerty, J. Burlington, *Iowa*		6
Hall, *Dr.* J. Z. St. Louis		1
Hall, W. S. San Francisco		1
Hamilton, W. Washington, *D. C.*	1	
Hamilton College. Clinton, Oneida Co., *N. Y.*		2
Hanna, S. J. Boston		1
Harburg Rubber Comb Company. Wandsbeck, *Germany*		2
Harford Historical Soc. Bel Air, *Md*		1
Harman, H. (Publ). Chicago		1
Harris, *Mrs.* D. M. St. Louis		64
Hartford, *Conn.* Bd. of Trade		5
—— Public Library		9
—— Theological Seminary		3
Harvard Univ. Cambridge, *Mass*	2	4
Havlin's Theatre. St. Louis		38
Hawaii. Dept. of Foreign Affairs		6
—— Weather Bur		1
Hazell, W. & V. Ludgate Hill, London, *Eng*	1	4
Heginbottom Free Library. Ashton-Under-Lyne, *Eng*		1
Heinz, H. J. Co Pittsburgh, *Pa.*		16
Helena, *Mont* Public Library		3
Herthel, *Mrs.* J. St. Louis	43	34
Hewitt, E. G. Brooklyn, *N. Y.*		4
Hirschberg, F. D. St. Louis		1
Historical Soc. of Southern California		1
Hitchcock, G. C. St. Louis	1	
Hopkins Imperial Theatre. St. Louis	1	
Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Chicago	4	1
How, J. E. St. Louis		1
How, *Mrs.* J. F. St. Louis	4	2
Howard, C. L. St. Louis		1
Howard Assoc. London, *Eng*	1	19
Huguenot Soc. of South Carolina. Charleston		1
Hutchings, W. J., Printing Works. near London, *Eng*		1
Illinois. Adjutant-General	1	
—— Agric. Exp. Station		2
—— Anti-Vivisection Soc		10
—— Attorney General	1	
—— Auditor	3	2
—— Bd. of Live Stock Comm'rs	3	
—— Bd. of Public Charities	1	
— Bur. of Labor Statistics	4	
—— Canal Comm'rs		2
—— Insurance Supt	2	
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Bd. of Agric		3
—— State Bd. of Arbitration	2	2
—— State Fish Commn	1	
—— State Historical Library	2	5
—— State Horticultural Soc	2	
—— State Laboratory of Natural History		4
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	
Illinois Farmer's Institute	1	3
—— Firemen's Assoc		1
Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Soc. Manchester, *Eng*		1
Indian Rights Assoc. Phil		1
Indiana. Bd. of State Charities	2	41
—— Forestry Assoc		3
—— Horticultural Soc	1	
—— State Geologist	1	
—— State Library	13	25
Indianapolis, Mayor	1	
—— Public Library		2
—— Public Schools		1
International Law Assoc. London, *Eng*		9
Interstate National Guard Assoc.		2
Iowa. Adjutant-General		11
—— Agricultural College		28
—— Auditor of State	2	
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	1	
—— Comm'rs of Pharmacy		1
—— Geol. Survey	1	
—— Grand Lodge	1	
—— Historical Dept		4
—— Railroad Comm'rs	3	
—— Secretary of State	41	2
—— State University of Iowa		2
Italy. Dept. of Agric		5
—— Treasury Dept		1
Jack, B. Memphis, *Tenn*		1
Jackson, *Mrs.* N. O'B. St. Louis	1	
James Prendergast Free Library. Jamestown, *N. Y*		1
Japan. Bur. Général de Statistique	5	
Jersey City. Free Public Library		4
Jewish Theological Seminary Assoc. N. Y. City		5
Jewish Training School of Chicago		12
John Crerar Library. Chicago		1
John F. Slater Fund. Washington, *D. C.*		1
John Rylands Library. Manchester, *Eng*	3	
Kamp, F. St. Louis	7	
Kansas. Adjutant-General	1	
—— Bur. of Labor and Industry	2	
—— Dept. of Forestry and Irrigation		1
—— Historical Soc		3
—— Inspector of Coal Mines	2	
—— Insurance Supt	3	1
—— Live Stock Sanitary Comm'n		2
—— State Agric. College		3
—— State Bd. of Agric		3
—— State Horticultural Soc	9	
Kansas Academy of Science. Topeka, *Kan*	1	
Kansas City. Bd. of Education		2
—— Public Library	1	2
Karst, E. St. Louis		3
Karuth, F. London, *Eng*		4
Katzenberger, G. A. Greenville, *Ohio*	1	
Kaviratna, *Mrs.* A. C. Calcutta, *India*		3

	Vols.	Pphs.
Keim and Allied Families in Amer. and Europe. Reading, *Pa.*		1
Kentucky. Agric. Exp. Station		7
Kerntler, F. Budapest, *Hungary*		1
Kerr, C. H. & Co. Chicago		14
Kershaw, *Dr.* J. M. St. Louis		2
Knowles, M. Lawrence, *Kan.*	1	
Krupp, F. *Prussia*		2
Kuppenheimer, B. & Co	1	
Lachmund, *Mrs.* F. L.	25	
La Crosse. Bd. of Trade		5
Lake Mohonk Conference. Dorchester, *Mass.*		7
Lake Shore & Michigan Southern R. R. Cleveland, *Ohio*		1
Lancaster, *Mass.* Public Library		3
Lane, L. P. Boston	2	1
Lathers, *Col.* R. New Rochelle, *N. Y.*		13
Lawrence, *Mass.* Public Library		3
—— Water Board		20
Lawson, A. G. N. Y. City		2
League for Social Service. St. Louis		20
Leeds. Free Public Libraries. *England*		7
Leland Stanford Junior University. *California*		1
Levere, W. C. Chicago		1
Levy, *Miss* F. N. N. Y. City		1
Lewis, *Miss* L. St. Louis	2	
Liberty and Property Defence League. London, *Eng.*		3
Lincoln, *Eng.* Public Library		1
Liverpool, *Eng.* Public Libraries		1
Lockwood, G. R. St. Louis		2
London, *Ontario.* Public Library		1
London Reform Union. London, S. W., *Eng.*		37
Los Angeles. Public Library		3
Louisiana. Experiment Station		49
Louisville, *Ky.* City Engineer	1	1
Love, W. E. St. Louis		5
Lowell Observatory, Flagstaff, *Arizona*	1	
Lowell Textile School. Lowell, *Mass.*		1
Luyties, D. R. St. Louis	4	
Lynn, *Mass.* Public Library		1
McAnally, D. R. St. Louis	12	
McCall, *Hon.* J. N. Y. City	1	
McCann, J. J. St. Louis		3
MacDonald, A. Washington, *D. C.*		8
Macmillan Co. Chicago	8	
Maimonides Free Library. N. Y. City		1
Maine. Agric. Exp. Station		11
—— Bd. of Agric.	1	
—— Bur. of Industrial and Labor Statistics	1	
Manchester, *Eng.* City Corporation	1	
—— Public Free Libraries		6
Manchester, *N. H.* City Library		1
Manufacturers' Registration Co. Manchester, *Eng.*		1
Maryland. Adjutant-General	6	
—— Commr. of Land Office		1
—— Geol. Survey	1	
Mason, S. F. Charleston, *Mass.*		3
Massachusetts. Agric. College. Hatch Exp. Station		5
—— Auditor	1	
—— Bd. of Education	2	
—— Bur. of Statistics of Labor	4	3
—— Civil Service Comm'rs.		1
—— Comm'r. of Public Records		1
—— Comm'rs. of Prisons	1	
—— Comm'rs. of Savings Banks	2	
—— Eye and Ear Infirmary		2
—— General Hospital		6
—— Harbor and Land Comm'rs.	1	1
—— Inland Fisheries and Game		2
—— Institute of Technology		2
—— Insurance Comm'r	4	
—— Metropolitan Park Comm'rs.	1	
—— Railroad Comm'rs.	1	
—— Sec'y. of Commonwealth	8	
—— State Bd. of Agric.	1	1
—— State Bd. of Arbitration	1	
—— State Bd. of Lunacy and Charity	2	1
—— State Library	4	3
—— State Lunatic Asylum		4
..... Treasurer and Receiver General	1	1
Matton, A. M. Parkville, *Mo.*		2
Maybell, S. & M. San Francisco		1
Meadville, *Pa.* Comm'rs. of Water and Lighting Dept.		2
Melville, G. W. Washington, *D. C.*		10
Menestrina, *Miss* T. St. Louis	5	8
Meriwether, *Mrs.* M. St. Louis	29	13
Mermod & Jaccard Jewelry Co.		2
Mexico. Ministerio de Fomento		10
—— Instituto Geológico		1
Michigan. Auditor General	1	
—— Comm'r. of R. R.	2	
—— Factory Inspection	5	
—— Geol. Survey	1	1
—— Horticultural Soc.	7	
—— State Agric. College. Exp. Station	1	9
—— State Banking Dept.	1	
—— State Bd. of Agric.	1	
—— State Bd. of Fish Comm.	1	5
—— State Bd. of Health	1	
—— State Game and Fish Warden		4
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	3
—— University		2
Miller, *Miss* E. St. Louis		1
Mills, B. F. Boston		2
Milwaukee, *Wis.* Bd. of City Service Comm'rs.		1
—— Chamber of Commerce	2	
—— Public Library		4
Minneapolis. Park Comm'rs.		2
—— Public Library	1	2
—— School of Fine Arts		1
—— Society of Fine Arts		1
Minnesota. Geol. and Natural Hist. Survey	2	
—— Insurance Comm'r	1	2
—— Secretary of State	8	1
—— State Bd. of Charities	4	25
—— University. Agric. Exp. Station		45
Mississippi. Secretary of State	1	
Missouri. Adjutant-General		2
—— Bur. of Geol. and Mines		151
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	1	1
—— Secretary of State	6	1
—— State Horticultural Soc.	9	51
—— State Lunatic Asylum, No. 2. St. Joseph, *Mo.*		2
—— State Supt. of Public Schools	6	
—— Supt. of Insurance Dept.	1	
—— University		5
Missouri Bar Assoc		2
Missouri Botanical Garden	2	4
Missouri Historical Soc.		2
Missouri Pacific R. R. Co. St. Louis Dept.		5
Missouri Road Improvement Assoc.		2
Missouri Soc. of the Colonial Dames of Amer.		1
Montana. Bur. of Agric., Labor and Industry	1	1
—— State Bd. of Equalization		3
—— Stock Comm'rs.		2
Montclair, *N. J.* Free Public Library		1
Moody, *Miss* K. T. St. Louis		2
Morning Leader. London, *Eng.*		45
Morrison-Reeves Library. Rich-		

	Vols.	Pphs.
mond, *Indiana*		1
Mount Holyoke College. South Hadley, *Mass*		4
Mount Vernon, *N. Y.* Public Library	1	
Musée Social. Paris, *France*		4
Nagle, C. St. Louis		3
National Assoc. for the Promotion of Technical and Secondary Education. London, *Eng*	1	34
—— National Assoc. of Builders. Boston	1	1
National Cash Register Co. Dayton, *Ohio*		10
National Civil Service Reform League		1
National Confectioners' Assoc. of U. S. St. Louis		1
National Congress of Mothers. Washington, *D. C*	1	1
National Educational Assoc		1
National Electric Light Assoc. N. Y. City	1	
National League for the Protection of the Family		1
National Primary Election League		6
National Soc. for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. London, *Eng*		3
National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies		15
Natural Science Assoc. of Staten Island. *N. Y*		8
Nebraska. Adjutant-General		1
—— Attorney General	1	
—— Auditor		2
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East St. Louis. Daily Democrat.....Daily
—— East St. Louis Gazette.....Daily
—— East St. Louis Journal.....Daily
—— Juvenile Monthly.....Monthly
Easton, *Pa.* Amer. Academy Medical Bulletin.....Bi-Monthly
Eddy, *New Mexico.* Pecos Valley Argus.....Weekly
Edwardsville, *Ill.* Edwardsville Republican.....Weekly
—— Leclaire News.....Monthly
Elgin, *Ill.* Our Republic.....Monthly
Elsinore, *Cal.* Elsinore Press.....Weekly
Fairhope, *Ala.* Fairhope Courier.....Semi-Monthly
Ft. Madison, *Ia.* Ft. Madison Democrat.....Weekly
Fredericktown, *Mo.* Democrat News..Weekly
Fresno, *Cal.* Guide.....Weekly
—— Interior.....Monthly
Girard, *Kan.* Appeal to Reason.....Weekly
Grand Junction, *Col.* Daily Sentinel... Daily
Hampton, *Va.* Southern Workman..Monthly
Harrisburg, *Pa.* Keim and Allied Families.....Monthly
Hartford, *Conn.* Hartford Seminary Record.....Bi-Monthly
—— Locomotive.....Monthly
—— Traveler's Record.....Monthly
Havana, *Cuba.* Island of Cuba Magazine.....Monthly
Helena, *Mont.* Montana Bimetallist..Weekly
Hoboken, *N. J.* Stevens Institute Indicator.....Quarterly
Honolulu. Paradise of the Pacific..Monthly
Houston, *Texas.* Texas Railway News and Illustrator.....Monthly
Hudson, *Mass.* Woman's Home Journal.....Monthly
Ifracombe, *Eng.* Order of the Golden Age.....Monthly
—— Herald of the Golden Age.....Monthly
Independence, *Mo.* Labor Exchange..Monthly
Indianapolis, *Ind.* Indiana Weekly...Weekly
—— Indianian.....Monthly
—— Progress.....Weekly
—— Single Tax World.....Weekly
Irvington, *N. Y.* Bulletin of Amer. Authors.....Monthly
Italy. Dept. of Agric. Bulletin of Agriculture.....Monthly
—— Bulletin of Commerce.....Monthly
—— Bulletin of Meteorology.....Monthly
—— Bulletin of Patents.....Monthly
Ithaca. *N. Y.* New York State Weather Bureau.....Monthly
Jennings, *La.* Jennings Times.....Weekly
Kahoka, *Mo.* Review.....Weekly
Kansas City. Baton.....Monthly
—— Independent.....Weekly
Kirksville, *Mo.* Journal of Osteopathy.....Monthly
—— Norns.....Monthly
Knoxville, *Tenn.* American Homes..Monthly
—— Tennessee University Magazine..Monthly
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Superior, *Wis.* Superior Leader.....Daily

Sydney, *Australia*. Farm and Dairy..Monthly
—— Sydney Morning Herald.....Daily
Syracuse, *N. Y.* Journal of Pedagogy Quarterly
Tennessee City, *Tenn.* Coming Nation.....Weekly
Terre Haute, *Ind.* Toiler.....Weekly
—— Vaccination Monthly
Toledo, *O.* Toledo Non-Partisan.....Weekly
—— Toledo Saturday Night.....Weekly
Topeka. Western School Journal.....Monthly
Toronto. Canada Educational.....Monthly
—— Citizen and Country.....Weekly
—— Fred Bury's Journal Monthly
—— Lamp Monthly
—— Searchlight Monthly
Urbana, *Ill.* Chautauqua Journal...Monthly
—— *O.* New Philosophy Monthly
—— University Courant.....Monthly
Victoria, *B. C.* Victoria Daily Times.....Daily
Vineland, *N. Y.* Kosmos.....Monthly
Wardner, *B. C.* International.....Weekly
Washington, *D. C.* American Federationist Monthly
—— American Inventor.....Weekly
—— Forester Monthly
—— Inventive Age Monthly
—— Jeffersonian Democrat.....Monthly
—— National Elks' Horn.....Monthly
—— National Watchman Weekly
—— Postal Record Monthly
—— Public Health Reports.....Weekly
Washington, *D. C.* Uncle Sam's American Flag Weekly
—— U. S. Congressional Records.
—— U. S. Consular Reports.....Monthly
—— U. S. Consular Special.....Irregular
—— U. S. Department News Eagle.....Weekly
—— U. S. Patent Office. Official Gazette Weekly
—— U. S. Weather Bureau. Climate and Crop Service.....Monthly
Wheaton, *Ill.* Wheaton College Record Monthly
Wilmington, *Del.* "Justice".....Weekly
York, *Penn.* Lutheran Missionary Journal.....Monthly

MEDICAL PERIODICALS.

Denver. Denver Medical Times.....Monthly
Ft. Wayne. Ft. Wayne Medical Magazine.....Monthly
New York (*City*). American Druggist Semi-Monthly
St. Louis. Clinique Monthly
—— Medical Brief Monthly
—— Medical Fortnightly.....Semi-Monthly
—— Medical Mirror Monthly
—— Meyer Brothers Druggist.....Monthly

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1902.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

No.	Location.	Proprietor.	Delivery Days.
1	Garrison & Easton Aves	W. B. Pilkington	Daily.
2	Grand & St. Louis Aves	L. Sloper	Daily.
3	Grand & Nat. Bridge Rd.	A. J. Hoenny	Mon. & Thur.
4	Newstead & St. Louis Aves	A. Ludwig	Daily.
5	E. Grand & 20th St.	Theo. H. Wurmb	Mon. & Thur.
6	3625 N. Broadway	Waldeck Bros.	Daily.
7	14th & Monroe	F. H. Fricke	Daily.
8	Gravois & Arsenal St.	B. Jost	Daily.
9	Bates & Virginia Ave.	Bates St. Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
10	1701 Park Ave.	Wm. C. Bohm	Daily.
11	Michigan & Kansas St.	Schneider's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
12	Menard & Barton Sts.	Alf. J. Wittmann	Wed. & Sat.
13	3618 S. Broadway	Hermann Bros.	Tues. & Fri.
14	Pestalozzi & Salena Sts.	Kaltwasser Drug Co.	Daily.
15	Meramac & Virginia Aves.	R. C. Reilly	Tues. & Fri.
16	Tower Grove & Manchester	Chas. Lehmann	Daily.
17	919 S. Sarah St.	F. L. Richt	Daily.
18	Cabanne Arcade	A. E. Soppiger	Daily.
19	Semple & Easton	E. A. Bersina	Daily.
20	Marcus & Easton	H. H. Tamm	Daily.
21	Euclid & Delmar	Wm. K. Ilhardt	Daily.
22	Grand & Finney Aves.	F. C. Gartlollner	Daily.
23	Broadway & Keokuk	R. S. Vitt	Daily.
24	Park & Compton Aves.	J. V. Fischer	Daily.
25	Lafayette & California Aves.	F. C. Meyer	Daily.
26	Chouteau & California Aves.	Rodemich Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
27	Grand & Pine	J. Kennedy	Daily.
28	Cheltenham	Cheltenham Drug Store	Mon. & Thur.
29	23rd & Dodier	J. Tomy	Daily.
30	Lafayette & Cass Aves.	J. W. Westmann	Daily.
31	Grand & Shenandoah	Wm. F. Ritter	Daily.
32	Laclede & Boyle	Geo. B. Smith	Tues. & Fri.
33	Gratiot & Easton Aves.	Jno. A. Guttmann	Daily.
34	12th & Chouteau Ave.	F. Angermueller	Daily.
35	Morganford Rd. & Scanlan Ave.	E. A. Schwenker	Mon. & Thur.
36	4401 Natural Bridge Rd.	Mrs. L. H. Miller	Tues. & Fri.
37	Broadway & Barton	Cook Drug Co.	Wed. & Sat.
38	1010 N. Grand Ave.	Mrs. Duncan	Mon. & Thur.
39	Westmoreland Hotel Drug Store	Lee Ravenscroft	Tues. & Fri.
40	Manchester & Taylor Ave.	Boston Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
41	2010 Manchester Ave.	J. H. Thompson	Wed. & Sat.
42	Jefferson & Washington Aves.	Louis Lehmann	Tues. & Fri.
43	1900 St. Louis Ave.	J. W. White	Wed. & Sat.
44	Broadway & Marion	S. Kelwy. Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
45	28th & Benton Ave.	Wellmeyer's Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
46	Shenandoah & Jefferson Aves.	Theo. Hagshow	Mon. & Thur.
47	Academy & Suburban	Raymond Pl. Pharmacy	Daily.
48	1827 Cass Ave.	C. W. Tondorf	Wed. & Sat.

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WM. MAFFITT	1901
T. A. MEYSENBURG	1902
JOHN A. NIES	1900
EDWARD L. PREETORIUS	1902
O'NEILL RYAN	1902
ELLIS WAINWRIGHT	1900

STANDING COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE.

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Messrs. LEE, RYAN and EISEMAN.

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Messrs. MEYSENBURG, WAINWRIGHT and LEE.

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ST. LOUIS, MO., March 13th, 1902.

Hon. Rolla Wells, Mayor, St. Louis, Mo.:

DEAR SIR—I submit herewith the report of the Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library for the year ending April 1st, 1901.

This report shows the financial condition and work done by the Library during the period.

There is from year to year an increasing use made of the Library by the people of our city, but to its highest efficiency a central building and branch buildings in different portions of the city are essential.

The members of the Board are striving to secure these buildings without material expense to the municipality. Mr. Andrew Carnegie has generously offered to donate one million of dollars for buildings, and citizens of St. Louis have volunteered liberal aid for the purpose of securing the ground belonging to the city, and known as Missouri Park, as a site for the central building.

An ordinance with this in view is now pending before the Municipal Assembly, and if this is passed, the Board believes that when it makes its next report it can announce as an assured fact a great library building in the city of St. Louis in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. LEHMANN,

President of the Board of Directors of the Public (Free) Library.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to present herewith my annual report for the year ending April 30, 1901.

During this year the number of books issued for home reading increased from 707,823 to 740,179, and the total issue from *976,675 to 998,597. More than 14,000 volumes were added to the collection, of which an unusually large number—2,967—were gifts. At the end of the year the Library contained about 144,000 volumes. This progress was made despite appropriations that were necessarily inadequate—owing to large payments on the building site. Not only was the book fund insufficient this year, but it was even smaller the two preceding years. Books are the life of a library. Dearth of new books necessarily lessens its popularity and usefulness.

FINANCES.

The following exhibit gives in detail the receipts and expenditures for the year ending April 8, 1901. This is not exactly the end of the library year; but our financial statement must extend only to this date, in order to agree with the City Hall books, which are closed on the second Monday of April.

RECEIPTS.

The income from the city tax of one-fifth of a mill was $75,727.18, an increase of $1,945.71 over the previous year.

The receipts from fines were $2,680.32, an increase of $173.81; from books issued from the Collection of Duplicates, $1,799.90, a gain of $556.25; and from lost cards, $259.10, an increase of $43.50.

The rental from the Library property was $525.96 more than last year.

EXPENDITURES.

The total expenditure for maintenance, including cost of books and furniture, was $53,687.33, or $7,897.85 more than the previous year. Nearly all of this was added to the book fund.

Salaries amounted to $25,016.28, an increase of $331.01; books, binding, and periodicals, $14,930.03, an increase of $6,129.18. This total includes $9,913.96 for books, $3,985.25 for binding, and $1,120.82 for periodicals.

Payments amounting to $35,366.34 were made on the Olive Street property.

The furniture and repair account includes newspaper cases in the Reading Room, book-cases in the seventh floor hall and the Reference Room, two card cabinets, iron castings for stacks in the Reference Room, chairs for the Reading Room, ten desks for the delivery stations, and numerous repairs needed about the place. Several hundred dollars for insurance, paid too late to be included in this report, will be accounted for next year.

Last year it was decided to change the time for ordering stationery from January to July, when printers are less busy. A six months' order

*Most of these were added at the close of the year, too late to affect the circulation materially.

was given in January, 1900, to tide over until the middle of the year—when the full year's order was given. The bills for this short order did not come in until after the accounts for the year had been closed, and are, consequently, included with this year's stationery. The expenditure under this head, therefore, covers a year and a half.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 8, 1901.

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To bal. in City Treas., April 9, 1900,	$ 3,306 40	
Collections, April 9, 1900—April 8, 1901	75,727 18	
		$79,033 58
Bal. in Bank Fund, April 5, 1900		9,115 90
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1900		105 91
Collection of Duplicates		
Books issued, 1,799 90		
Magazines sold 51 70		
	1,851 60	
Fines	2,680 32	
Books sold, lost and paid for	182 49	
Catalogues	65 60	
Lost cards	259 10	
Postals	34 00	
Miscellaneous	13 70	
Memberships	9 00	
		5,095 81
Rent		13,501 46
Interest		98 23
Security for rent		300 00
		107,250 89

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By salaries		25,016 28
Books	9,544 08	
Books, Collection of Duplicates	369 88	
Binding	3,895 25	
Periodicals	823 81	
" Collection of Duplicates	297 01	
		14,930 03
Building Site (Interest and Principal notes, etc.)	35,366 34	
Rent	7,500 00	
Insurance	291 25	
Furniture and Repairs	1,726 66	
		44,884 25
Expense.		
Printing and Stationery	1,487 16	
Delivery Stations	2,030 05	
Postage	202 63	
Sundries	369 64	
Supplies	128 78	
Advertising	4 85	
		4,223 11
Total expenditures		89,053 67
Bal. in City Treasury, April 8, 1901		8,114 57
Bal. in Bank Fund		9,988 12
Bal. in Contingent Fund, April, 1901		94 53
		$107,250 89

The following tables show the receipts and expenditures from the time the Free Library Board assumed control and support of the institution to the close of the past year. The transfer was made in March, 1894, two months before the close of the fiscal year; hence the small amount recorded for desk receipts and expenditures, which cover only the months of March and April of that year.

It will be observed that the smallest expenditure of these seven years was for the year ending with April, 1900—the year before the one covered by this report. Notwithstanding, the circulation showed a gain of nearly 17,000. The small appropriation was necessitated by the draft on income for payments on the building site. This year's statistics of registration and circulation were inevitably affected adversely by the meagerness of the previous years.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1901.

RECEIPTS.

	City Collections.	Desk Receipts.	Rent.	Insurance.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
1894	$ 49,773 52	$ 113 66				$ 49,887 18
1895	59,035 80	2,593 26			$ 3 41	61,632 47
1896	61,929 51	3,649 98	$ 482 79		87 96	66,150 24
1897	64,663 32	3,741 31	1,879 56		187 72	70,471 91
1898	67,638 45	3,839 86	1,480 00		424 81	73,383 12
1899	71,340 13	3,901 72	12,328 55	$ 39,742 72	476 24	127,789 36
1900	73,781 47	4,392 48	12,945 50		51 98	91,171 43
1901	75,727 18	5,095 81	13,501 46		398 23	94,722 68
Total	$523,889 38	$ 27,328 08	$ 42,617 86	$ 39,742 72	$1,630 35	$635,208 39

EXPENDITURES.

	Maintenance.	Real Estate.	Total.
1894	$ 2,876 19		$ 2,876 19
1895	43,305 69		43,305 69
1896	52,318 45	$ 40,900 00	93,218 45
1897	48,738 69	24,872 58	73,611 27
1898	58,051 90	29,972 00	88,023 90
1899	55,811 21	88,347 95	144,159 16
1900	45,789 48	36,973 36	82,762 84
1901	53,687 33	35,366 34	89,053 67
Total	$360,578 95	$256,433 23	$617,011 17

Balance in City Treasury, April 8, 1901	8,114 57
Balance in Bank Fund	9,988 12
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1901	94 53
	$635,208 39

REGISTRATION.

A separate count has been made of the registration in each ward. The wards are given, not in numerical order, but according to number of registrations. This is the second year in which the registration has been kept by

wards. When three years shall have been thus recorded, we shall have the total registration by wards.

Registration to April 30, 1900		52,708
Registered May 1, 1900, to April 30, 1901	11,938	
Re-registered May 1, 1900, to April 30, 1901	7,524	19,462
Total registration		72,170
Cards expired and not renewed		20,977
Total cards in force		51,193
as follows:		
Men		12,934
Women		15,267
Children		22,891
Institutions		101
Total		51,193
Cards cancelled	23	
Guarantor withdrawn	116	
Held for fines, not called for, etc	2,000	2,139
Total cards in use		49,054

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1901.

Ward 4	290	Ward 27	644
18	318	19	668
14	322	16	683
7	373	13	684
15	389	11	693
1	392	9	730
5	392	3	768
12	399	22	839
23	469	20	854
8	495	10	1,009
6	544	24	1,262
2	570	26	1,262
21	577	28	1,394
17	587	25	1,451

ADDITIONS TO THE LIBRARY.

The additions for the year number 14,011, of which 10,485 were purchases, and 2,967 were donations. The gifts were unusual in number, and of more than ordinary value and usefulness. The additions included 591 volumes in the German language, 188 volumes in French, and 128 in other languages,—Polish, Spanish and Italian.

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1901.

Classes.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	86		86
Religion	208	1	209
Social Science	1,610		1,610
Natural Science	1,596		1,596
Art and Poetry	534	8	542
Fiction	3,066	887	3,953
Juvenile Literature	4,243	4	4,247
Literary Miscellany	389	5	394
Travels and History	940	5	945
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	429		429
	13,101	910	14,011

Source.			
Purchase	9,575	910	10,485
Gift	2,967		2,967
Pamphlets, bound	21		21
Periodicals, bound	538		538
	13,101	910	14,011
Language.			
English	12,194	910	13,104
French	188		188
German	591		591
Other	128		128
	13,101	910	14,011

Periodicals to complete sets, 354.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Worn out and condemned		4,219
Lost and paid for		163
Charged to card-holders		140
Exchanged, sold and damaged		6
Total		4,528
Total additions	14,011	
Less above	4,528	
Net increase	9,483	

Of 4,219 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 1,380 were replaced by new copies, as were also 58 volumes out of 163 lost and paid for. There were also one entered United States document returned to the Public Document Bureau, and one exchanged; 4 volumes damaged and retained by the borrower, after paying for a new copy; and 3 volumes lost and replaced. The extraordinary number of books withdrawn and condemned finds explanation in the small book fund of the two preceding years, which compelled the retention on the shelves of books that were unfit for circulation. The sure prospect of an increased fund led to a thorough overhauling of the shelves.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS.

Among the more noteworthy purchases were the following:

AMICIS, E. de. Spain and the Spaniards. Q.
ARMSTRONG, W. Gainsborough. F.
BATEMAN, N. Hist. encyclopædia of Illinois. Q.
BIBLE. The Hexateuch; ed. by J. E. Carpenter and G. H. Battersby. 2v. Q.
BLISS, W. D. P. Encyclopædia of social reform. Q.
BREHM, A. E. From north pole to equator. Q.
COLUMBIAN cyclopædia. 40v. D.
D'ANVERS, N., *ps.* Representative painters of the 19th century. Q.
DAY, L. F. Windows, a book about stained aud painted glass. O.
DE ROO, P. History of America before Columbus. 2v. O.
DRAKE, F. S. Indian tribes of the U. S. 2v. F.
FOLEY, J. P. Jeffersonian cyclopædia. Q.
FRANCO-German war; ed. by J. F. Maurice. Q.
FULLER, G. W. Report on the purification of the Ohio River. F.
GARDINER, S. R. History of the Commonwealth. v. 3. O.

GARNETT, R., *and others*. Universal anthology. v. 1-24. Q.
GUILLAUMOT *fils*. Costumes of the French revolution. F.
HITTELL, J. S. History of the mental growth of mankind. 4v. O.
HUEFFER, F. M. Ford Madox Brown. O.
JOHNSON, R. History of the World's Columbian Exposition. 4v. Q.
KAYSER, C. G. Vollstandiges Buecher-Lexikon. 1895-98. L-Z *and* Sachregister. Q.
KING, C. W. Handbook of engraved gems. Q.
KOEHLER, S. R., *and others*. American etchings. F.
LIENARD, E. Specimens of the decoration of the 19th century. F.
LITTLE, C. E. Cyclopædia of classified dates. Q.
MCILVAINE, C. Toadstools, mushrooms, fungi. Q,
MACKAIL, J. W. Life of William Morris. 2v. O.
MASPERO, G. Passing of the empires. Q.
MELVILLE, L. Life of Thackeray. 2v. O.
MILLAIS, J. G. Life and letters. 2v. Q.
MORRIS, H. Human anatomy. Q.
MUTHER, R. History of modern painting. Q.
NASH, J. Mansions of England. F.
PRIOR, E. S. History of Gothic art in England. Q.
REVUE encyclopedique. 1899-1900. 2v. F.
SIMCOX, E. J. Primitive civilizations. 2v. O.
SWINBURNE, H. Courts of Europe. 2v. O.
UNIVERSAL cyclopædia. 12v. Q.
UNWIN, W. C. Testing of materials of construction. O.
VIEL-CASTEL, H. de. Costumes of the French revolution. F.
WESTCOTT, T. Centennial portfolio. D.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

The year 1899 showed the highest total of exchanges and donations: 2,492 volumes, and 8,490 pamphlets. This year is not far behind, with 2,435 volumes and 6,852 pamphlets. These came from 1,073 sources. A list of the individual donors is given in an appendix. These were all promptly acknowledged and reported to the Book Committee from month to month. They involved the writing of 407 letters and 1,211 postals to addresses in the United States, and 22 letters and 60 postals to foreign countries. The general character of the books and pamphlets received is indicated by the following rough classification:

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS, MAY, 1900—APRIL, 1901.

	Total.	
	Vols.	Pph.
Educational	36	413
Libraries	69	626
State and City	412	1,211
U. S	395	1,103
Miscellaneous	1,380	3,273
Foreign	43	326
Total	2,435	6,952

The last few years we have received more gifts of books from citizens than ever before. Some have been old books and magazines difficult to obtain by purchase, and valuable for reference; others have been recent books in first-class condition, which went immediately into active circulation, and thus saved the library a direct outlay. There are surely many thousand volumes of both classes lying unused on the book-shelves or in the attics of our citizens, which would be of service to the community if placed in the Public Library.

NOTEWORTHY GIFTS.

A majority of the more valuable donations received were from our own citizens—as will be seen from the subjoined list, which includes the more noteworthy. It will not be taken as an invidious distinction if I call attention to the trouble and expense incurred by Mr. Chas. R. Gregory in sending valuable pictures and boxes of books from Paris. Mr. Ramsay's gift, also, may properly receive special mention, because it included a number of very costly and valuable works on architecture.

	Vols.	Pph.
Atkinson, Robt., St. Louis	118	342
Baker, C. F., St. Louis	118	342
Baumgarten, Dr. Gustav, St. Louis	133	84
Bernays, Miss Thekla, St. Louis	89	38
Branch, Chas., St. Louis	27	
Bruckman, S. E., St. Louis	75	17
Carpenter, Mrs. Geo. O., St. Louis	16	
Christian Science Students' Association, Mrs. Ida P. McKeighan, Teacher, St. Louis	12	4
Clendenin, Mrs. Isabella, St. Louis	124	
Cockrell, Senator F. M.	23	1
Dresser, H. W., Boston	10	
Foote, A. H., St. Louis	41	90
Gould Directory Co., St. Louis	30	
Gregory, Chas. R., St. Louis	59	28
" " " Seven framed engravings.		
" " " Seventeen large unmounted photographs.		
Indiana. State Library	21	43
Jaminet, Mrs. A., St. Louis	49	10
London, J. M., St. Louis	12	
Missouri. Secretary of State	74	9
New York. State Library	103	33
Pearce, Hon. Chas. E., St. Louis	62	1
Pennsylvania. State Library	54	
Ramsay, Charles K., St. Louis	110	230
Richards, Dr. Heber, St. Louis	12	364
Silver, Burdette & Co., Boston	43	
Society of the Army of the Cumberland	29	
Thayer, Hon. A. M., St. Louis	22	
Ulrici, Emil, St. Louis	77	12
U. S. Superintendent of Documents	312	375

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

The inventory of 1899 showed a total of about 132,000 volumes. I repeat the details here, because my report for 1900—like all the city reports for that year and also for 1899 and 1898—has not been published. The following tables show the number of volumes in each class, and also in each department and room at the time of the inventory, July, 1899, and the total contents of the collection on April 30, 1901:

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY ACCORDING TO INVENTORY OF JULY, 1, 1899.

Classes.	Ref.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates.	Totals.
Philosophy	183	1.207		1,390
Religion	2,145	2,987		5,132
Social Science	13,457	4.856	1	18,314
Natural Science	9,220	7,319		16,539
Art and Poetry	1,384	5,986	3	7,373
Fiction	312	23,301	370	23,983
Juvenile Literature	342	19,754		20,096
Literary Miscellany	1,937	5,195	5	7,137
Travels and History	2,845	12,721	5	15,571
Cyclopædias and Periodicals	9,003	1,492	1	10,496
Total	40,828	84,818	385	126,031
Unentered duplicates and books not yet catalogued, (about)				6,000
Total contents, July 1, 1899, (about)				132,000

CONTENTS OF EACH ROOM.

Circulation Dept.		
Main Library	84,495	
Coll. of Duplicates	385	
Froebel Collection	323	
	85,203	
Ref. books in Issue Dept	2,536	87,738
Reference Dept.		
Public Document Room		11,431
U. S., (Hall, etc.,)		6,766
Reading-room (other than Patent Office reports)		703
Art Room		2,000
Catalogue Room		298
Office		41
Reference Room	13,870	
McAnally Collection	3,184	17,054
		126,031
Unentered duplicates, etc., (about)		6,000
Total contents of collection July 1, 1899		132,031
Added, July, 1899–April, 1900	5,200	
Withdrawn	2,089	3,111
Additions to April 30, 1901	14,011	
Less losses. (See table p. 11)	4,528	
Net additons	9,483	9,483
Total contents April 30, 1901		144,625

BINDING.

During the year an unusual number of volumes received a first binding. The total was 1,137, at a cost of $904.76—an average of 77.6 cents per volume. These consisted of newspapers,. periodicals, pamphlets and books received in paper covers. There were also 8,404 volumes rebound, at a cost of $3,361.80, or 40 cents a volume, and 597 volumes were repaired, by contract, at a cost of $124.90, or 21 cents a volume. Besides these, 9,455 volumes were repaired at

the library. These cost, for labor and material, $408.55—an average of 4 1/6 cents.

CIRCULATION.

The street car strike, which lasted through May and June, lessened the circulation by many thousands of volumes. In addition to this there is sufficient explanation for not going some thousands beyond the million mark in the inadequate supply of new books.

But notwithstanding these two causes, which inevitably diminished the circulation, the issue of books for home reading shows an increase of 32,356, and the issue of books for reference and reading in the library, a gain of 3,640. The total home issue of 740,179 volumes was made up as follows: From the main issue desk, 189,306; from the open shelves, 140,233; from the Juvenile Department (including supplementary reading), 156,544; and from the delivery stations (including depositories), 254,096. There was a falling off of 14,074 in tbe issue of periodicals in the reading-room; and there was a decrease of 32,031 volumes in the books drawn directly from the library; but the increase of the circulation through the delivery stations more than made up for this. It is clear that but for our delivery stations and other outside agencies for distribution, the strike would have caused a decided decline in the circulation.

From the foregoing figures it will be seen that of the total home issue more than one-third (34.3%) of the books were drawn through the delivery stations and depositories; and that of the issue on adult cards at the library 42½% consisted of books drawn from the open shelves. For this department, instead of a sort of enlarged alcove, we need a special room with at least ten times the space now available. With such a room adequately supplied with the best books in each line, forming a select library of 15,000 to 25,000 volumes, it is fair to assume that the present percentage would increase to more than 50%. Besides serving the convenience of the public, it guides many readers to better books than they would otherwise read. It introduces many to good books which they never heard of before, and which they would not be likely to choose from a catalogue. The following tables furnish full details regarding the issue in all departments.

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	HOME ISSUE.						
	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	*Schools and Depositories.	Total.	Library.	Periodicals.	Total.
May	29272	30042		59314	4785	14090	78189
June	28443	16473		44916	3660	12138	60714
July	29509	14444		43953	3140	10684	57777
August	28947	13986		42933	3123	10527	56583
September	28362	12775	8857	49994	3618	13245	66857
October	32916	14520	11075	58511	4768	15194	78473
November	35684	15865	12367	63916	6442	15092	85450
December	36845	15837	11210	63892	6808	17294	87994
January	41101	17710	15737	74548	9492	20975	105015
February	39616	17700	19539	76855	8692	20280	105827
March	41713	20458	12773	74944	8280	20246	103470
April	37279	20974	28150	86403	7798	18047	112248
Total	409687	210784	119708	740179	70606	187812	998597
1900	441718	199151	66954	707823	66966	201886	976675
Gain		11633	52754	32356	3640		21922
Loss	32031					14074	

*Under this heading are included the sets of supplementary reading and the collections kept in the outlying schools as well as the issue from Sunday schools and other depositories.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	3352	.45	805	1.14	4157	.51
Religion	4083	.55	2294	3.25	6377	.79
Social Science	8460	1.14	9270	13.13	17730	2.19
Natural Science	15698	2.12	8151	11.54	23849	2.94
Art	5827	.79	5779	8.17	11606	1.43
Poetry	10182	1.38	2846	4.03	13028	1.61
Fiction	414816	56.03	6930	9.82	421746	52.01
Juvenile	221830	29.97	810	1.15	222640	27.44
Literary Miscellany	13244	1.78	4660	6.60	17904	2.21
Travels	9706	1.31	2791	3.95	12497	1.54
History	13786	1.86	5927	8.39	19713	2.43
Biography	9308	1.26	5090	7.06	14398	1.78
Cyclopaedias and Magazines	9887	1.34	15253	21.60	25140	3.10
Total	740179	99.98	70606	99.83	810785	99.98

SUMMARIES.

	1899–1900.	1900–1901.
Home issue, regular library	681,839	704,363
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	25,984	35,816
	707,823	740,179
Library issue	66,966	70,606
Total issue of books	774,789	810,785
Reading-room issue	201,886	187,812
Total issue in all departments	976,675	998,597
Gain in 1900–1901 over 1899–1900		21,922

Largest week-day issue, Wednesday, December 5, 1900.

Main desk	674
Open shelves	498
Juvenile	2,418
Delivery stations	1,104
Total home issue	4,686
Library issue	260
Reading-room issue	575
Total issue in all departments	5,521

Smallest week-day issue, October 2, 1900.

Main desk	356
Open shelves	281
Juvenile	140
Delivery stations	489
Total home issue	1,266
Library issue	150
Reading-room issue	445
Total issue in all departments	1,861

Largest Sunday issue, February 24, 1901.

Library issue	51
Reading-room issue	759
Total	810

Smallest Sunday issue, August 19, 1900.

Library issue	10
Reading-room issue	119
Total	129

Total Sunday issue.

Library issue	2,053
Reading room issue	12,689
Total	14,742

Average Sunday issue.

Library issue	39
Reading-room issue	244
Total	283

Average daily issue.		Average week-day issue.	
Home issue	2,322	Home issue	2,322
Library issue	193	Library issue	219
Reading-room issue	514	Reading-room issue	577
Total	3,029	Total	3,118

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1900–1901.

	Home Issue.	Library.	Reading Room.	Total.
Decoration Day	4,203	96	512	4,811
Fourth of July	175	26	130	331
Labor Day	2,537	150	408	3,095
Thanksgiving Day	441	54	425	920
Christmas Day	24	43	320	387
New Year's Day	360	81	384	825
Washington's Birthday	1,862	219	889	2,970
Total	9,602	669	3,068	13,339
Average	1,372	95	438	1,905

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATE ISSUE BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00	'00–'01
May	612	1394	990	1258	1096	1401	2431
June	542	1222	978	1160	625	1324	2290
July	643	1192	900	1034	1029	1320	2199
August	733	1225	930	985	1102	1574	2305
September	666	1016	878	972	917	1707	2200
October	771	1130	995	1367	1307	1930	2974
November	931	1302	1046	1643	1281	2230	3621
December	987	1257	1181	1894	1423	2577	3536
January	1190	1469	1389	1858	1507	3082	3678
February	1482	1489	1413	1670	1491	2536	3490
March	1780	1378	1380	1680	1591	3548	3773
April	1649	1085	1396	1394	1446	2755	3329
Total	11986	15159	13476	16915	15815	25984	35816
Average	990	1260	1123	1409	1269	2165	2818

The remarkable gain in the last two years is due to the open-shelf space and the extraordinary vogue of a number of new novels. The climax was reached in "The Crisis," 153 copies of which are still (December) in constant circulation.

TOTAL CIRCULATION BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00	'00–'01
Home	331426	472718	551059	647171	698339	707823	740179
Reference and Library	40628	46082	51240	69070	65732	66966	70606
Reading-room	165359	170142	184729	204259	195783	201886	187812
Total	537413	688942	788028	920500	959854	976675	998597

It requires little thought to understand that accounts with over 50,000 borrowers cannot be kept straight without some time and trouble. Few, however, would realize the time and care required. Some idea of the labor involved may be gained from the following figures, accompanied by the explanation that every notice sent involves the looking up of name and address of the intended recipient. During the year 13,063 notices were sent for overdue books, of which 10,101 were first notices, and 2,962 second notices; 18 notices were sent to persons taking home books that were drawn for library use. There were also 128 miscellaneous notices, 408 notices of additions to the library, 286 to houses having contagious diseases,* and 1,753 for books reserved. 25,790 book cards were written to replace those filled. A messenger was sent for 474 books, 370 of which were returned by cardholder, 58 recovered by messenger, while 46 still remained charged at the close of the year.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

During the year there has been a large increase in the attendance, with an increase of 29% in the number of books used. The total number of books consulted was 49,738, an increase of 11,241 over the number used in the previous year.

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF BOOKS CONSULTED FOR LAST TWO YEARS.

REFERENCE ROOM ISSUE.

	1899–1900.	1900–1901.
May	2,214	3,163
June	1,680	1,956
July	2,049	2,089
August	2,303	1,810
September	2,488	2,012
October	2,998	3,022
November	3,952	4,100
December	4,095	4,686
January	4,608	7,224
February	3,979	6,961
March	4,364	6,573
April	3,767	6,142
Total	38,497	49,738
Total, 1900–1901	49,738	
Total, 1899–1900	38,497	
Gain	11,241	

In October Mr. Jonathan W. George was appointed to take charge of the department, succeeding Miss Rosa M. Leeper, who had accepted the librarianship of the Carnegie Library of Dallas, Texas. During the winter and spring the room has been open to students and visitors for twelve hours daily, the number of visitors in the evening ranging from one to twenty. A number of changes have been made in the room, which add greatly to the comfort of visitors and to the utility of the room as a special department. The stacks have been shortened to allow for one-third more table

*The Library is in daily communication with the Health Department, and all persons living in houses containing a case of infectious disease are notified both by the Library and the Health Officers not to return the books till they have been fumigated.

room. The shelf capacity has been increased to accommodate 10,000 volumes, by narrowing the old stacks and aisles and placing new ones in the vacant space, with eight double shelves to the stack instead of seven, as formerly. Two wall stacks twelve feet high, one at each end of the room, have been added, as well as a special case to accommodate a collection of handy books for ready reference on popular subjects. A new cabinet for the pamphlet catalogue has been placed in the room, and a subject index to pamphlets is being prepared. New cases for shelving bound newspapers, and six large stacks for shelving unused and unentered duplicates, have been built in the reading room.

A number of students from other cities and towns have availed themselves of the resources of the department. A collection of books and pamphlets has been brought together dealing with expositions and world's fairs; and efforts are being made to secure as complete a collection as possible of books relating to the Mississippi Valley, The Northwest, and The Louisiana Purchase. Many new volumes have been added to the shelves of the Art Room, as well as to the Reference Room; and a considerable list of works on art has been ordered. The Perry pictures and other reproductions of famous pictures placed in the Art Room by the Art League are fulfilling the mission for which they were secured, but deserve more general use by teachers in connection with geography, science and history teaching.

DELIVERY STATIONS.

In January, 1901, Mr. Woods, theretofore the head of this department, resigned to accept the librarianship of the East St. Louis Public Library; and Miss Miller was placed in charge. Mr. Taylor remains as assistant, with two special duties assigned to him. His work in the morning is to substitute books for those called for and reported "not in." All call slips on which no book can be found by the pages are turned over to him. He makes a second search, which checks possible oversight on the part of the pages, and not infrequently results in finding a book which has come in since the first search was made. If, however, all the books are still "out," he substitutes one he thinks likely to please. This office of substituting another book instead of one called for, requires judgment and knowledge of books—judgment to determine what sort of book will meet the taste of the applicant (known only by his call list), and literary knowledge to decide what particular books will be likely to please the inferred taste of said person. Every book so substituted has inserted in it a little slip with the following message:

"Public Library.—The books called for on your list are 'OUT.' We venture to send this, which we trust will prove better than none at all. If not satisfactory please return with a new and larger list.

"Please note on your CALL SLIP *if you do not wish us to do this.*"

The public appreciates the benefits of this plan; and thanks and favorable comments are daily received. The wishes of those (a very few) who request that substitutions be not made are, of course, respected.

Most of Mr. Taylor's afternoons are devoted to visiting the stations. These regular visitations serve to straighten out any misunderstandings that may have arisen, to explain methods to new clerks, and to keep up the interest of the station keepers.

Several stations have been changed, and three new ones added. Ten new desks were sent to stations hitherto unsupplied. These are a great convenience to the station keepers.

Beginning with the second week in January, readers' cards were sent out the same day that the applications from stations were received. If a list accompanies an application, a book is sent out with the reader's card. This plan is decidedly more satisfactory to the library, to the delivery station keepers and to the public.

The printed lists, especially the juvenile lists, have been a very great help. The supply was greater than ever before; and this appreciative reception points to the desirability of printing lists in greater number and variety hereafter.

The transportation service of the St. Louis Delivery Company and of the several expressmen who carry books to outlying stations, has been entirely satisfactory.

The following Sunday schools and settlements have served as depositories. In each a collection of books is placed, and kept until a change is called for.

Place.	Number of Books.	Place.	Number of Books.
Art Metal Co	194	High School	646
Bowman M. E. S. S	75	Lafayette Park S. S	130
Church of the Redeemer S. S.	30	Lindell Avenue M. E. S. S	109
Cook Ave. M. E. S. S	65	Olivet S. S	38
Delmar Ave. M. E. S. S	102	Polish Settlement	64
Ethical Society	65	Social Settlement	429
Fountain Park S. S	74	Union M. E. S. S	160

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

In the issue from the Juvenile Department the advantage of distributing agencies is shown to a degree even more marked than in the adult circulation. Out of a total home issue of 156,544 from this department, 80,148 volumes were drawn by card-holders personally, while 76,396—nearly one-half—were sent out as supplementary reading.

SUPPLEMENTARY READING.

Under this heading we include boxes of books sent to the schools. Each box contains thirty copies of the same book, for lower grades, and twenty-five copies for upper grades. It is better to send thirty copies of the same book, rather than thirty different books, for several reasons: 1st, because it enables the teachers to use the books for class exercises; 2nd, because the reading of the same book at the same time by all the class intensifies the enjoyment of each child. It also gives the pupils a common (and an elevated) topic of conversation to replace the vulgarities of boys and the inanities of girls. And this is a benefit of no little importance.

Owing to the difficulty in getting supplementary reading to schools in outlying districts, small general collections are sent out to these schools upon request. The collections usually contain enough books to supply each room with 50 volumes, and may be kept as long as needed. The plan, Miss Krug reports, has not worked altogether satisfactorily. Experience will doubtless bring improvement.

The supplementary reading in the public schools has proved a cumulative and an unqualified success wherever the teachers have taken an interest in it and realized its power of helpfulness in the regular school work. The results are such as might have been predicted *a priori*. Most of the work is still done in the first four grades. It was started there for obvious reasons: 1st, because a majority of children leave school before they reach the 7th grade, many before the 6th grade; 2d, because the best time to impart to children a love for good reading is before the age of ten; 3d, because the work of the lowest grades is chiefly the teaching of reading. And here we strike our *a priori* argument. The way to learn to swim is to go swimming often; the way to learn to ride a wheel or a horse is to ride every day; so, to learn to read understandingly in the shortest possible time, much reading must be done. To teach a child to ride a bicycle it is not necessary to keep on giving him lessons every day for months or years. Start him and give him a wheel, and he will attend to the rest. So it is with reading: help a child over the technical difficulties, give him interesting books, and he will learn to read; and, not only that, but he will gather stores of information—and, what is more important still, his imagination will be nourished and his mental capacity and intellectual alertness will be expanded and stimulated. Sully says in his Psychology:

"The habitual narration of stories, description of places, and so on, is an essential ingredient in the rudimentary stages of education. The child that has been well drilled at home in following stories will, other things being equal, be the better learner at school. The early nurture of the imagination by means of good, wholesome food has much to do with determining the degree of imaginative power, and, through this, of the range of intellectual activity ultimately reached."

Dr. Harris says: "What there is good in our American system points to this preparation of the pupil for independent study of the book by himself. It points towards acquiring the ability of self-education by means of the library."

And, while on this subject, I can not forbear quoting, for the *nth* time, the following paragragh from one of President Eliot's published addresses:

"From the total training during childhood there should result in the child a taste for interesting and improving reading, which should direct and inspire its subsequent intellectual life. That schooling which results in this taste for good reading, however unsystematic or eccentric the schooling may have been, has achieved a main end of elementary education, and that schooling which does not result in implanting this permanent taste has failed. Guided and animated by this impulse to acquire knowledge and exercise his imagination through reading, the individual will continue to educate himself through life. Without that deep rooted impulsion he will soon cease to draw on the accumulated wisdom of the past and the new resources of the present; and, as he grows older, he will live in a mental atmosphere which is always growing thinner and emptier. . . . The uplifting of the democratic masses depends on this implanting at school of the taste for good reading."

But, since it is a universally accepted maxim that, as John Fiske puts it, "an ounce of Vinland is better than a pound of cosmography," the following testimony from St. Louis teachers who speak from experience is worth more than any amount of abstract reasoning. At the end of the last school year, I sent to the principals of some twenty schools—those which had made most use of the books furnished by the Library—a request for replies to the following questions:

1. What value do you attach to literature and supplementary reading in connection with the school curriculum?

2. What effect has the general reading done by the pupils of your school had on their progress in their studies?

3. Do you find the books supplied by the library an aid to discipline?

A few replies must serve to illustrate the general tenor of all.

I.

1. The cultivation of a taste for good literature should be, it seems to me, one of the chief aims of the school curriculum. The development of a higher morality and a truer culture and refinement—which, after all, is the final aim of education—can best, and perhaps only, be accomplished by the encouragement of a closer and closer acquaintance with our best literature. I attach to well-directed general reading as high a value as to any subject taught in the schools.

2. Its effect upon the progress of the children has been daily more apparent. It has given information which has been helpful in all of the studies, especially geography and history; and the language of the children has been greatly improved.

3. I consider supplementary reading as good in itself, and, therefore, cannot regard with favor the conscious use of it as a means for maintaining discipline. Nevertheless, like any subject which thoroughly interests the children, it leads them into voluntary application, and so assists in cultivating that spirit which, in the end, eliminates the problem of discipline.

II.

1. The literature furnished by the public library has been of incalculable value. It has supplied us with the larger part of our material for oral reading. It has been the basis of most of our oral language work. It has been the inspiration and the basis for most of our composition work. The books taken into the homes from the school have been helpful to the entire community.

2. Much of our reading has been very helpful to the language work, geography, and history.

3. It is a very great aid in discipline, both directly and indirectly. Indirectly, through effect upon character. Directly, by giving pupils something they love to do.

III.

1. Of immense value to all our pupils, but especially to the poor child that can attend school but a very few years.

2 Assists their progress in their studies, awakens and deepens their interest in the subject, adds to thought and information, and changes dry studies into the exchange of ideas, the answering of aroused curiosity, and fixes facts more permanently in the memory.

3. The books supplied by the library *are* an aid to discipline. They change the current of pupils' thoughts, and put them in a better and happier state of mind—more conducive to study and improvement.

IV.

1. The literature furnished by the library has put a life into the reading exercise that it didn't have before. It has made reading the principal study in the course.

2. It has been of great advantage to pupils, has made them enjoy the exercises, has increased their fluency, has brought them to know books, and to want to find out about others.

3. Yes, an aid to discipline, decidedly. Pupils are interested in the exercise; consequently, they are attentive and orderly.

V.

1. Great value.
2. Broadens the pupil and gives him greater interest in his regular work.
3. Anything that awakens a child's interest aids in disciplining him.

When the child becomes sufficiently awakened to realize his own interest, the necessity for discipline is largely removed. This supplementary reading has had that effect. I consider it a great aid.

VI.

I consider the literature in the supplementary readers of great value in obtaining fluency, a working command of good language, and cultivation of the imagination, not supplied by any subject in the course of study.

It is very helpful in discipline—lessening, indeed, the need for discipline.

VII.

Here is a brief extract from another letter:

There can be no doubt of the helpfulness of the public library reading sets in the school. It is the universal experience with us that pupils who do most and best supplementary reading succeed best in all of their work. Most of the difficulty experienced by the children in the study of arithmetic and geography, for instance, is due to their inability to read the subject matter correctly. This defect is largely removed by the aid of supplementary reading.

VIII.

I prize very highly the supplementary reading in connection with the school curriculum.

The general reading has caused their minds to grow and broaden and deepen, enabling them to comprehend more readily the ideas conveyed by the printed page.

IX.

A principal of many years' experience writes:

One of the greatest blessings conferred on children is providing them with abundance of judiciously selected supplementary reading. The enlargement of the horizon around the child, the increasing of his vocabulary, the encouragement to go to the fountain-head and there drink more deeply at the great source of supply—the public library—all follow in natural order.

I believe discipline grows easier from year to year. The abundant supply of reading matter to be taken up as soon as lessons are learned has contributed largely to this result.

I asked some of my most competent assistants their opinion of the value of books from the library. The reply was: "Look at the faces of the pupils as they are using the books. See how absorbed they are in following the story. The book is new to them. All the charms of novelty gather around the subject."

X.

The head assistant in the Columbia School sums up by saying:

Supplementary reading, especially in the lower grades, is worth all the rest of the school work.

The St. Louis school in which most reading is done is the Columbia. It goes without saying that it is one of the best schools in the city. At my request, the principal, Mr. Charles L. Howard, furnished me with a general statement of his views on the educational value of literature, and the methods by which it is made the chief feature in his school. I should like to quote the whole of his report; but, not to exceed proper limits, I must content myself with a few extracts:

We make no parade of "literature work" or of supplementary reading. The latter term is a misnomer; it is misleading; what others term supplementary reading in my school is *the whole thing*. We have two forms of reading at the Columbia School. First, a form of class work, in which the material for use has come to be selected on a basis of interest, and what appears to be a natural appreciation of the Herbartian theory of the culture epochs. After

the second grade or year there is no *teaching* of reading lessons, in the ordinary use of that term. There is no preparation of reading lessons for recitation. Generally each class in a given grade reads the list of books given as available for its grade—sometimes less, oftener more. Sometimes a third- or fourth-grade class reads *Evangeline*, *Miles Standish*, *The Merchant of Venice*, or *Julius Cæsar*, with exquisite satisfaction. I have seen a second-year class enthusiastic over the *Pied Piper* and *Horatius at the Bridge*. [Let me interject here that I have seen children not yet in the first grade enjoying these same poems.] Things are read as *wholes*. For no one ever reads Cassius' plea with Brutus, then runs off to find the whole play; but generally one who reads *The Merchant of Venice* first turns again and again to the court scene. These books have generally the characteristics of the classics; and so we know that from pure interest our pupils do a vast amount of valuable reading, from which they get facility in reading, a vast store of useful information, broad views, independent notions, and an acquaintance with the material which, molded in the master-mind, gives beauty, grace, vigor, and endurance to the best literature.

The second form of reading in the school relates to the use of miscellaneous books independent of the school work. In this connection reading is encouraged, but no supervision of it is assumed.

About six hundred pupils in the school have tickets in the public library. They appear to be in constant use.

In 1898–99 we collected reports of "outside readings." In eight months seven hundred pupils reported something over ten thousand books read. They were mostly what I should call for myself "good books." . . . The most pernicious books come into the hands of children through the suggestion of well-meaning people who are ignorant or thoughtless of their influence—such books as set up false ideals, inflame feeling, discolor fancy, and distort judgment; the kind of books that used to abound in Sunday-school libraries. The real value of this work can not be told. The influence is mainly realized in conduct and character.

Our friends are sometimes disturbed over the freedom in our work; but it is observed that the freedom allowed naturally secures a basis of interest which tends to make the reading thoughtful; that those who read most widely accomplish most in other forms of school work; that the effect upon conduct is most salutary, showing in no case a bad result from the reading habit; that the ordinary nature-study books do not appeal to children strongly enough to secure voluntary reading as wholes; that the "classics" tend to supplant everything sensational or weak; that natural children make as few errors in selecting for themselves as their elders make in selecting for them; that the "bad" books generally appear but once; that a book is on the whole good or bad as determined by the attitude of the mind toward it.

We see, then, that a consensus of the St. Louis teachers who have welcomed the aid of the library is that general reading is "helpful in all the studies;" that it possesses "as high a value as anything taught in the schools," while two teachers consider it "worth all the rest of the school work;" that it is "of immeasurable value to all pupils, but especially to the poor child;" that "pupils who do most and best supplementary reading succeed best in all their work;" that it is "a great aid to discipline directly and through effect on character;" that "it puts children in a better and happier frame of mind—more conductive to study;" that "its influence is mainly realized in conduct and character;" and finally that "the books taken into the homes have been helpful to the entire community." Could we ask for anything more? Promotes progress in all studies! Aids discipline! Improves conduct and forms character! And, lastly, reaches out into the homes and educates parents and older brothers and sisters.

"If I were king of the world," said Dr. Stanley Hall, "I should have an examination of teachers as to their ability to tell a good story. It is the one hypnotic influence that tends for morals."

An interesting experiment in the teaching of literature was tried in the St. Louis High School the past season. Principle Bryan applied to the library for as many copies as it could supply of the most popular works of the leading American and English writers of the 19th century. The list consisted chiefly of pure literature, including the best novels of Scott, Hawthorne, Cooper, Bulwer, Kingsley, Dickens, Thackeray, and George Eliot; the essays of Lamb, DeQuincy, Irving and Carlyle; and poetry of Southey, Burns, Wordsworth, Moore, Tennyson, Poe, Holmes, and Whittier. A few historical works were also sent, including those of Parkmen, Morley, and Prescott, besides a few histories of Greece and Rome. In all, about 500 volumes, with as many as 10 copies of the more popular books, were supplied. Mr. Buck, who had special charge of the work, made a most encouraging report of results before the Library Section of the National Educational Association at Detroit in July. Principal Bryan and Vice-principal Schuyler pronounce the experiment a success, and are this year extending it, especially in the study of history,—calling on the library for as many copies of leading histories as can be furnished. Nothing can be more significant than the obvious growth of the pupils in mental grasp under the stimulus and the nourishment of this reading. Mr. Buck reports that in March they could comprehend and enjoy books which they vainly tried to read in November.

THE CARNEGIE GIFT.

Before this report is in print I trust the only obstacle to the receipt of Mr. Carnegie's munificent gift to the city will be removed by securing a suitable site for the central building.

THE STAFF.

Within the year two more of our assistants were called away to take the position of chief librarian in other cities. Their loss was regretted, but their places were readily filled by promotion and the appointment of new apprentices. In closing, it is with the greatest satisfaction and pleasure that I commend the efficiency, the earnestness, the courtesy and loyalty of the staff, whose able co-operation it is my good fortune to have.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edw. L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1901, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 29th day of May, Nineteen hundred and one.

(Seal.)

H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 10, 1902.

APPENDIX No. 1.

LIST OF THE MOST POPULAR BOOKS.

BOOKS OF LARGEST CIRCULATION, INCLUDING THE COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES.

To have and to hold	2926	Janice Meredith	2455
David Harum	2582	*Count of Monte Cristo	2103
Richard Carvel	2581	Little women	2091

NOVELS ISSUED 1,000 TIMES AND OVER.

Allen	Choir invisible 1040	*Hugo	Les miserables 1832
Blackmore	Lorna Doone 1105	Mitchell	Hugh Wynne 1406
Caskoden	Knighthood 1071	Scott	Ivanhoe 1150
Davis	Soldiers of fortune 1217	Stowe	Uncle Tom's cabin 1349
Dumas	Three musketeers 1159	Thackeray	Vanity fair 1444
Ford	Hon. Peter Stirling 1585	Wallace	Ben Hur 1254
Hope	Prisoner of Zenda 1121		

NOVELS ISSUED 900 TIMES AND OVER.

Cholmondeley	Red pottage 928	King	Colonel's daughter 950
Dumas	Vicomte de Bragelonne 931	Marlitt	Second wife 932
Fothergill	First violin 926	Sienkiewicz	Quo vadis 931
Hughes	Tom Brown's school days 969		

NOVELS ISSUED 800 TIMES AND OVER.

Barrie	Little minister 852	Voynich	Gadfly 836

NOVELS ISSUED 700 TIMES AND OVER.

Allen	Reign of law 714	Hope	Rupert of Hentzau 731
Burnett	In connection with the De Willoughby claim 767	Marlitt	Gold Elsie 722 Old Mam'selle's secret 703
Collins	Woman in white 700	Roe	Opening of a chestnut burr 703
Dumas	Twenty years after 729	Weyman	Under the Red Robe 722
Hawthorne	Scarlet letter 741		

NOVELS ISSUED 600 TIMES AND OVER.

Barr	Bow of orange ribbon 602	Johnston	Prisoners of hope 627
Barrie	Sentimental Tommy 614	Page	Red Rock 665
Bronte	Jane Eyre 630	Roe	Barriers burned away 665
Caine	Christian 659		From jest to earnest 661
Dickens	Oliver Twist 646		Without a home 690
Doyle	Adventures of Sherlock Holmes 661	Sue	Wandering jew 608
		Weyman	Gentleman of France 626

NOVELS ISSUED 500 TIMES AND OVER.

Auerbach	On the heights 596	Kipling	Captains courageous 580
Bulwer	Last Days of Pompeii 571		Day's work 560
Carey	Not like other girls 522	Kingsley	Hypatia 556
Cooper	Deerslayer 504	Marlitt	Lady with the rubies 551
	Last of the Mohicans 589	Mulock	John Halifax 513
Corelli	Master Christian 573	Parker	Battle of the strong 532
Crawford	Dr. Claudius 532	Porter	Scottish chiefs 551
	Sant Ilario 507	Reade	Cloister and the hearth 513
	Saracinesca 563	Roe	His sombre rivals 551
Doyle	Memoirs of Sherlock Holmes 593	Scott	Kenilworth 542
		Sienkiewicz	Knights of the cross 551
Hewlett	Forest lovers 532	Thackeray	Henry Esmond 532
Holmes, O. W.	Elsie Venner 551	Wilson	At the mercy of Tiberius 551
Holmes, M. J.	Mildred 533		

NOVELS ISSUED 400 TIMES AND OVER.

Barrie	Tommy and Grizel 426	Crockett	Ione March 420
Burnham	Miss Bagg's secretary 421		Kit Kennedy 402
Collins	Moonstone 495	Dickens	David Copperfield 438
	No name 431		Tale of two cities 469
Corelli	Romance of two worlds 418	Doyle	Micah Clarke 443
	Thelma 432		Refugees 476
Crawford	Don Orsino 459		White company 458
	Katherine Lauderdale 432	Duchess	Molly Bawn 472
	Mr. Isaacs 420		Rossmoyne 415

* "Les Miserables" and "Monte Cristo" alternated in the first and second places in two recent years. The former at every previous count for twenty years has stood among the first three. This year, however, the extraordinary runs of four new books reduced it to the seve th place. Every year produces its passing favorite; but the popularity of this, the best of novels, has endured and grown steadily since its publication forty years ago.

Eggleston	Hoosier school master	408
Eliot	Mill on the Floss	484
	Romola	412
Goldsmith	Vicar of Wakefield	404
Hardy	Tess of the D'Ubervilles	494
Harland, M.	Alone	442
Harland, H.	Cardinal's snuff-box	457
Hawthorne	Marble faun	424
Holmes	Daisy Thornton	465
	Tempest and sunshine	434
Hugo	Notre Dame	475
Jackson	Ramona	499
King	Marion's faith	494
	Trooper Galahad	437
Kipling	Light that failed	475
Lyall	In the golden days	456
	We two	432
Marlitt	Little moorland princess	454
Merriman	Sowers	456
Mitchell	Adventures of Francois	494
Ouida	Under two flags	418
Porter	Thaddeus of Warsaw	418
Roe	Day of fate	494
	He fell in love with his wife	437
	Knight of the XIX century	437
	Original belle	456
	Young girl's wooing	475
Sand	Consuelo	418
Scott	Bride of Lammermoor	418
	Talisman	437
Tarkington	Gentleman from Indiana	475
Wallace	Fair god	437
	Prince of India	475
Werner	St. Michael	438
Weyman	My Lady Rotha	494
Whiteing	No. 5 John Street	456
Wilson	Beulah	494
	Inez	456
	Infelice	437
	Macaria	494
	Vashti	418

NOVELS ISSUED 300 TIMES AND OVER.

Bacheller	Eben Holden	360
Besant	All sorts and conditions of men	339
Bronte	Shirley	397
Bulwer	Harold	323
Burnham	Dearly bought	396
	Next door	398
	Sweet clover	338
Caine	Manxman	399
Carey	Aunt Diana	352
	Only a governess	398
	Robert Ord's atonement	324
	Wee wifie	380
	Wooed and married	372
Cervantes	Don Quixote	353
Clemens	Connecticut Yankee	316
	Pudd'nhead Wilson	345
Collins	Dead secret	321
Cooper	Pioneers	301
	Spy	329
Corelli	Boy	338
Crawford	Cigarette maker's romance	304
	In the palace of the king	359
	Roman singer	357
	Via crucis	362
Crockett	Black Douglas	359
	Red axe	323
Davis	Princess Aline	304
Dickens	Bleak House	380
	Christmas books	324
	Dombey and son	319
	Old curiosity shop	377
	Pickwick papers	323
Duchess	Airy fairy Lillian	389
	Beauty's daughters	320
	Dick's sweetheart	313
	Mrs. Geoffrey	323
Dumas	Iron Mask	361
	Memoirs of a physician	382
	Queen's necklace	375
Dunton	Aylwin	312
Ebers	Egyptian princess	373
Eliot	Adam Bede	373
	Daniel Deronda	382
	Middlemarch	390
Fowler	Concerning Isabel Carnaby	349
	Double thread	323
Grand	Heavenly twins	323
Grant	Unleavened bread	304
Haggard	King Solomon's mines	304
Harland	True as steel	370
Hawthorne	House of the seven gables	397
Holmes	Cameron pride	314
	Cousin Maude	351
	Darkness and daylight	371
	Edith Lyle	380
	Edna Browning	302
	Ethlyn's mistake	361
	Forrest House	367
	Homestead on the hillside	399
	Hugh Worthington	325
	Lena Rivers	304
	Madeline	399
	Marguerite	374
	Meadow Brook	328
	Queenie Hetherton	301
	Rose Mather	389
	West Lawn	355
King	Kitty's conquest	328
Kipling	Soldiers three	399
Lever	Charles O'Malley	350
Lyall	Donovan	361
	Won by waiting	361
Marlitt	At the councillor's	380
	Countess Gisela	380
Merriman	Roden's corner	399
Page	In ole Virginia	323
	Santa Claus's partner	361
Phillpotts	Children of the mist	361
Pool	Out of step	314
	Two Salomes	351
Porter	Allan Dare	380
Reade	Put yourself in his place	304
Roe	Earth trembled	380
	Face illumined	319
	Miss Lou	300
	Near to nature's heart	323
	What can she do?	367
Scott	Guy Mannering	304
	Rob Roy	335
Stael	Corinne	342
Steel	On the face of the waters	398
Thackeray	Newcomes	398
	Pendennis	332
	Virginians	342
Tolstoi	Anna Karenina	342
Warner	That fortune	304
Wilson	St. Elmo	342
Winter	Heart and sword	323
Wood	East Lynne	380

JUVENILES.

1000 TIMES AND OVER.

Alcott	Aunt Jo's scrapbag	1900	Andersen	Fairy tales	1193
	Eight cousins	1256	Arabian nights		1479
	Jack and Jill	1286	Burnett	Little Lord Fauntleroy	1088
	Jo's boys	1218	Clemens	Tom Sawyer	1547
	Little men	1074	DeFoe	Robinson Crusoe	1842
	Old fashioned girl	1265	Grimm	Fairy tales	1849
Alden	Adventures of Jimmy Brown	1140	Scudder	Fables and folk stories	1539
			Sidney	Five little Peppers	1361

900 TIMES AND OVER.

Coffin	Boys of '76	953	Dodge	Hans Brinker	925

800 TIMES AND OVER.

Alcott	Rose in bloom	856	Kingsley	Water babies	885
Baldwin	Fifty famous stories	826			

700 TIMES AND OVER.

Æsop	Fables	717	Henty	Dragon and the raven	707
Andrews	Seven little sisters	712	Norton	Heart of oak books	741
Eggleston	Stories of great Americans for little Americans	780			

600 TIMES AND OVER.

Alcott	Garland for girls	612	Henty	Fall of Sebastopol	646
Burnett	Sara Crewe	674		With Clive in India	948
Carroll	Alice's adventures in wonderland	687	Mulock	Adventures of a brownie	627
Coffin	Boys of '61	668	Otis	Toby Tyler	665
Eggleston	First book in American history	677	Thompson	Fairy tales and fables	654

500 TIMES AND OVER.

Alcott	Under the lilacs	593	Lang	Prince Darling	502
Clemens	Prince and pauper	518	Mulock	Little lame prince	590
Coolidge	Little country girl	591	Stoddard	Little Smoke	570
Hawthorne	Wonder book	502	Trowbridge	Jack Hazard	532
Henty	For the temple	513	Verne	Around the world in eighty days	551
	St. George for England	532			
Kipling	Jungle book	586			

400 TIMES AND OVER.

Asbjoernsen	Fairy world	415	Lang	Cinderella	418
Beard	What to do and how to do it	496		Sleeping beauty	470
				Yellow fairy book	456
Brooks	Stories of the red children	462	Meade	Sweet girl graduate	475
Burnett	Editha's burglar	445	Mother Goose		418
Coolidge	What Katy did	488	Otis	Tim and Tip	475
Dodge	Donald and Dorothy	478	Pyle	Men of iron	415
Eggleston	Big brother	434	Sidney	Five little Peppers grown up	418
Hawthorne	Tanglewood tales	456		Five little Peppers midway	418
Henty	Lion of St. Mark's	439	Stoddard	Red mustang	478
	Lion of the north	456		Two arrows	418
	Redskin and cowboy	437	Verne	From the earth to the moon	476
	Under Drake's flag	421			
Irving	Six girls	444	Wiggin	Birds' Christmas carol	418
Johonnot	Book of cats and dogs	437			
	Grandfather's stories	148			

300 TIMES AND OVER.

Alcott	Hospital sketches	314	Holbrook	Hiawatha primer	361
Beckwith	In mythland	372	King	Cadet days	328
Blanchard	Two girls	306	Kipling	Second jungle book	373
Caldecott	Picture book	392	Laboulaye	Fairy tales	372
Carroll	Through the looking glass	382	Lang	Blue fairy book	342
Coolidge	Crosspatch	382		Red fairy book	331
Cox	Brownies	311		Red Riding Hood	385
Dickens	Child's history of England	317	Meade	Polly	323
Eggleston	Hoosier schoolboy	308	Munroe	Cab and caboose	399
Goss	Jed	361		Flamingo feather	304
	Tom Clifton	361		Fur seal's tooth	380
Harris	Uncle Remus	399		Painted desert	342
Henty	Bravest of the brave	380		Snow shoes and sledges	304
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Aberdeen (Scotland) Public Library		1
Adams, Chas. Francis. Boston		1
Adams Nervine Asylum. Boston.		19
Ainsworth, D. H. St. Louis	1	
Aix-la-Chapelle. Staedtische Kur-direction		1
Alabama Agric. Exp. Sta		5
—— Geological Survey		2
All Souls Church. Chicago		2
American Acad. of Medicine		11
—— Acad. of Political and Social Science		2
—— Acad. of R. R. Surgeons	6	
—— Anti-Imperialist League (Chicago)		7
—— Anti-Trust League		2
—— Anti-Vivisection Society		2
—— Association for the Advancement of Science		1
—— Bankers' Association		1
—— Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions		11
—— Catholic Hist. Researches		2
—— Church Missionary Soc		3
—— Climatological Association	1	6
—— Colonization Soc		3
—— Congregational Soc		2
—— Dermatological Assoc		7
—— Humane Assoc		2
—— Institute of Architects		3
—— Inst. of Electrical Engineers	1	
—— Jewish Hist. Soc		2
—— Laryngological Assoc	1	
—— League of Phila		2
—— Medico-Psychological Assoc	1	
—— Negro Academy		1
—— Numismatic and Archæological Soc		1
—— Park and Outdoor Art Assoc		3
—— Pediatric Society	1	
—— Physicians and Surgeons	1	
—— Printing House for the Blind		1
—— Protective Tariff League		11
—— Social Science Assoc	1	
—— Soc. for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals		1
—— Soc. of Civil Engineers	2	
—— Soc. of Naturalists		13
—— Soc. of R. R. Supts		1
—— Street R. R. Assoc		17
—— Unitarian Assoc		2
Amherst College, Amherst, *Mass.*		6
Andover Theological Seminary, Andover, *Mass.*		2
Andrews, *Hon.* H. F. (Exira, *Ia.*)		2
Anonymous	10	5
Anti-Imperialist League, Washton, *D. C.*		5
Appleton & Co., D. New York	4	
Arizona Agric. Exp. Sta		5
—— University		1
Armstrong, *Maj.* S. T. Philippine Islands		9
Ashtabula, O. Economic League		1
Assoc. of Colleges and Prep. Schools in Middle States and Md		3
Assoc. of Colleges and Prep. Schools of the Southern States		6
Assoc. of Railway Supts. of Bridges and Building		8
A. T. and S. F. R. R. Co		1
Atkinson, Robt. St. Louis		115
Atlanta, *Ga.* Board of Education		1
Babcock, D. Marshalltown, *Ia.*	1	
Baker, C. F. St. Louis	118	342
Baker, I. O. Champaign, *Ill.*		1
Balch, E. S. Phila	1	
Balch, T. W. Phila	2	
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce	2	
Baltimore. Dept. of Education	1	3
Baltimore Sun	1	
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library		1
Barker, L. H., M. C. Washington, *D. C.*		3
Barnes, A. G. St. Louis	3	2
Barnes Medical College		2
Barton, *Rev.* W. E. Oak Park, *Ill.*		11
Batchellor, A. S. St. Louis		1
Bate, *Miss* F. E. St. Louis	1	
Battersea, London, W. C. Public Library		1
Baumgarten, *Dr.* Gustav. St. Louis	133	84
Bay State Club. Holyoke, *Mass.*		1
Beyer Co., Friedrich. Elberfeld, *Ger*	2	9
Beaumont Hospital Med. College, St. Louis		1
Begg, Mrs. P. S. St. Louis		1
Belgium, Dept. of Agric. and Public Works		15
—— Dept. of Interior and Public Instr		6
—— Institute Interia de Bibliographie		1
—— Ligue Democratique Belge, Ghent		1
Belleville, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Bennett College of Eclectic Medicine and Surgery, Chicago		1
Benton, J. H. Boston		1
Berlin, *Ger.* Bureau of Statistics.		2
Berlin, *Ger.* Magistrates	2	1
Bernays, *Miss* Thekla. St. Louis.	89	38
Beverly, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Bigelow, Free Public Library. Clinton, *Mass.*		1
Birmingham, *Eng.* Free Library Commission		4
Blair, J. L. St. Louis	2	1
Bliss, H. L. Chicago		2
Blue Hill Meteorological Obs		7
Boardman, G. D. Phila		1
Boston. Associated Charities		3
—— Better Dwellings Society		1
—— Board of Commissioners of Parks	1	1
—— Board of Registratios in Medicine		6
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	1
—— Children's Institution Department		1
—— City Auditor	1	
—— City Hospital		3
—— Health Dept		3
—— Home for Aged Men		7
—— Home for Aged Women		2
—— Improved Dwellings Assoc		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
—— Industrial School for Reformed Children		1
—— Museum of Fine Arts		2
—— Provident Association		1
—— Public Library		14
—— School Committee	22	14
—— Water Commissioner		1
Boston Athenæum		1
Boston Book Co	1	11
Boston Children's Aid Soc		12
Boston Transit Commission	1	
Boutwell, *Hon.* G. S		1
Bowdoin College. Brunswick, *Me.*		6
Branch, Charles. St. Louis	27	
Breslau. Handelskammer		1
Brettauer, *Mme.* Valerie. Paris		1
Bridgeport, *Conn.* Public Library		1
British Columbia. Board of Trade		2
British Columbia. Minister of Mines		2
Brockton, *Mass.* Public Library		10
Bronson Library. Waterbury, *Conn*		1
Brookline, *Mass.* Public Library		8
Brooklyn, N. Y. Dept. of Parks	1	
—— Public Library		2
Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co. Providence, *R. I.*		1
Brown, Mrs. Lida Briggs. Utica, *N. Y.*	1	
Brown University. Providence, *R. I.*	1	
Browne, T. B. London, *Eng.*	1	
Bruckman, S. E. St. Louis	75	17
Brunswick-Balke Collender Co	1	
Bryn-Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, *Pa*		2
Buchmueller, S. St. Louis		13
Buffalo, N. Y. Charity Organization Soc		1
—— Merchants Exchange		2
—— Pan American Ex. Co		50
—— Public Library		2
Bunker Hill Monument Assoc	1	1
Bunker Hill Boys' Club		1
Burford, F. A. P. St. Louis	3	4
Bussey Institution. Jamaica Plains, *Mass.*		1
Byars, W. V. St. Louis		2
Cahn-Wampold and Co. Chicago	1	
Caledonian Society of St. Louis	3	
California. Adjutant-General		1
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics		1
—— State Library		6
—— State Mining Bureau		1
—— University Agric. Exp. Sta		11
California League of Rep. Clubs		1
Cambridge, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Canada. Auditor General	1	
—— Commissioner of Crown Lands		3
—— Customs Department		1
—— Department of Agriculture	1	16
—— Department of Militia and Defense		2
—— Department of Railways and Canals	2	2
—— Department of Trade and Commerce	1	13
—— Geographic Board		1
—— Geological Survey Dept		5
—— Inland Revenue Dept		7
—— Minister of Finance		14
—— Minister of Justice		4
—— Minister of Public Works		5
—— Northwest Mounted Police		6
—— Post Office Dept	2	4
—— Secretary of State		6
Canadian Year Book	1	
Cardiff, County Borough of.—Eng		2
Carlsruhe, *Ger.* Technische Hochschule		7
Carnegie Free Library. Allegheny, *Pa*		1
—— Free Library. Atlanta, *Ga*		2
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—— Library. Pittsburg, *Pa*		9
Carondelet's Business Men's Association. St. Louis		3
Carpenter, *Mrs.* George O. St. Louis	16	
Castle Square Opera Co		28
Cathedral Library Association, New York		1
Cedar Rapids, *Ia.* Free Public Library		2
Century Theatre. St. Louis		29
Chandler, *Hon.* W. E. Concord, *N. H*		1
Charity Organization Society, London, *Eng*		16
Chicago. Board of Education	1	1
—— Board of Trade	1	
—— Bureau of Justice		11
—— Citizen's Association		37
—— City Secretary	1	
—— Civic Federation		1
—— Civil Service Comm'r	2	
—— Fire Marshall		1
—— Health Department	2	14
—— Historical Society		2
—— Municipal Library and Bureau of Statistics		1
—— Public Library		1
—— South Park Commissioners		1
—— Street Railway Commission		1
—— University of Chicago		1
Chicago Architectural Club		5
Chicago College of Law		1
Christian Science Student's Association, St. Louis. *Mrs.* Ida P. McKeighan, teacher	12	4
Christian Socialist League. Chicago		3
Cincinnati. Associated Charities		5
—— Commissioner of Water Works		1
—— Engineer's Club		15
—— Public Library		3
—— Technical School		4
—— Hospital		2
Clark, Charles C. P	1	
Clark, *Mrs.* Jonas Gilman, Worcester, *Mass*	1	
Clendennin, *Mrs.* Isabella R., St. Louis	124	
Cleveland, *Ohio.* Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— City Clerk	1	
—— Dept. of Accounts		1
Cleveland College of Physicians and Surgeons		1
Cockrell, Senator F. M., Washington, *D. C*	23	1
Cohen, Solomon Silas, Phila		4
College Settlement Association, Boston		2
Colorado State Board of Agric	1	17
—— Board of Horticulture	4	2
—— Bureau of Mines	1	1
—— State Engineer		1
—— Revenue Commission		4
—— State Insurance Dept	1	
—— Supt. Public Instruction		1
—— University		1
Colorado College. Colorado Springs		1
Columbia Lead Co., St. Louis		1
Columbia Theater, St. Louis		37
Columbia University, New York City	1	1
Columbian University, Washington, *D. C.*		1
Columbus, *Ohio.* Public School Library		1
Commission of Colleges in N. E., Boston		13
Commons, J. R., Mt. Vernon, N. Y.		1
Conant, Wm. Cowper, New York	1	
Concord, *N. H.* Public Library		1

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Congregational Educational Society, Boston		1
—— Home Missionary Society, Boston		2
Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station	4	8
—— Bank Commissioners	2	
—— Board of Agriculture	1	
—— Board of Education	4	
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	2	
—— Public Library Commission		10
—— R. R. Commissioners	1	
—— Secretary of State	4	
—— State Board of Charities	1	
—— State Board of Health	2	
—— State Library	1	2
Consumer's League, New York		11
Contemporary Club, Davenport, *Ia.*		2
Cornell University. Agric. Exp. Sta		28
—— University. Library	1	3
Cotgreave, A., London, *Eng*		1
Council Bluffs, *Ia.* Free Public Library		2
Craig, Alexander, Chicago	1	
Creighton University, Omaha		1
Crunden, *Mrs.*, St. Louis		6
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Cust, R. N.	1	
Dacus, *Miss* F. J., St. Louis	1	
Daniels, G. H., New York	1	
Dartmouth College	1	4
Davies, John F., Missoula, *Mont.*		1
Dean, Charles L., Malden, *Mass.*	1	
De Laval Separator Co., New York		1
Denver. Bureau of Health		1
De Peyster, J. Watts, New York		2
Detroit. Public Library		2
—— Public Lighting Commission		2
Dey, E. M., St. Louis	3	
Dillingham Co., G. W., New York	1	
District of Columbia. Commissioners	1	6
—— Electrical Dept		1
—— Public Library		2
Dow, Joy Wheeler	1	
Drexel Institute, Philadelphia		1
Dresser, H. W., Boston	10	
Dryden, John F., Newark	1	
East St. Louis. Public Library		2
Eastern Manual Training Association		1
Eau Claire, *Wis.* Public Library		1
Ehrmann, Max, Cambridge, *Mass*	1	
Electric Fire-proofing Co., New York	1	
Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society		2
Elmendorf, H. L., Buffalo		1
English Land Restoration League, London		1
Essex Institute, Salem, *Mass*		1
Evans, C. O., Kirkwood, *Mo.*		1
Evanston, *Ill.* Free Public Library		2
Every Month, New York		1
Fales, I. C., Brooklyn, *N. Y.*		1
Fall River, *Mass.* Public Library		1
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Florida. Agric. Exp. Sta		1
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Forbes & Co., Boston		1
Forbes Library, Northampton, *Mass*		1
Forester, The., Washington, *D. C.*		11
France, Minister des Travaux Publics		1
Frankfort. Public Library		1
Friend's Free Library and Reading Room, Germantown, *Pa.*		1
Frink, Seth, St. Louis	1	
Fuller, L. C., Brookville, *Pa*		1
Fullerton, A., New York, *N. Y.*	1	
Gage, N. L., Ashtabula, *Ohio*		2
Gallinger, *Hon.* J. H., Concord, *N. H*		4
Geddes, Prof. Patrick, Dublin	1	
Gefrer, Albert, St. Louis	2	
Gehrung, E. C., *M. D.*, St. Louis	2	
Genealogical Society of Pa		1
General Compressed Air House Cleaning Co., St. Louis		1
Geological Society of Washington		3
George, J. W., St. Louis	1	8
George, L. F., Boston		6
Georgia. Experiment Station		6
—— Geological Survey		4
Gloversville, *N. Y.* Free Library		1
Gorse, *Mrs.* J. A., St. Louis	3	
Gould Directory Co., St. Louis	30	
Graham, Dr. George W., Charlotte	1	
Grand Opera House, St. Louis		35
Grand Rapids, *Mich.* Board of Public Works	1	
—— Public Library		1
Green James, Worcester, *Mass*		1
Green, S. A., Boston		3
Greenwood, J. M., Kansas City		1
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Hagerup, H., Copenhagen, *Den.*		1
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Hall, W. S., San Francisco		1
Halsted, *Miss* L. B., St. Louis	2	
Hambleton, *Mrs.* M. H., Shelbyville, *Ill*	5	
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Henneberry Co., The, Chicago	2	
Herder, B., St. Louis		1
Higgins, Chas. M., New York		1
Hill, J. B.		1
Hoboken Free Public Library, *N. J.*		3
Hodges, Rev. J. S. B., Baltimore	1	
Holland, E. M., Concord, *Mass.*	1	
Holley, W. V., Cleveland, *Ohio*	1	
Holy, *Mrs.* Fanny, Pasadena, *Cal.*		1
Home for the Training in Speech of Deaf Children		4
Honolulu. Board of Health		2
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Howard Library, Nashville, *Tenn.*		2
Howard Memorial Library, N. O.	1	
Humane Society of Mo., St. Louis		7
Idaho. Dept. Public Instructions		2
—— University Agric. Exp. Sta		6
Illinois. Agric. Experiment Station		7
—— Auditor	3	
—— Board of Live Stock Commissioners	1	
—— Factory Inspectors	2	
—— Masonic Home for the Aged		1
—— State Bar Association		3
—— State Board of Agric	2	7
—— State Historical Library	1	
—— State Horticultural Society	1	
—— State Library Association		1
Illinois River Valley Association		1
Imperial Theater, St. Louis		31
Independent Order of Rechabites Friendly Society		1
Indian Rights Association		2
Indiana. Adjutant General	8	
—— Board of State Charities		7
—— Dept. of Factory Inspection	3	
—— State Board of Health		2
—— State Geologist	1	
—— State Library	21	43
Indianapolis. Mayor	1	
—— Public Library		1
Industrial Aid Society for Prevention of Pauperism, Boston		1
Ingram, F. F., Detroit		1
Inland Type Foundry, St. Louis	1	
Insurance Library Association of Boston	1	
International Arbitration and Peace Association		2
—— Association for the Advancement of Arts and Educ	1	
Interstate National Guard Association		3
Iowa. Adjutant General	11	5
—— Auditor of State	2	
—— Custodian of Public Buildings		1
—— Dept. of Public Instruction		1
—— Geological Survey	1	
—— Historical Department	1	5
—— Masonic Library		4
—— Railroad Commissioner	1	
—— Secretary of State	9	1
—— State Agricultural Society	1	
—— State Library	1	
—— State Penitentiary		1
—— State University		9
—— Treasury Dept	1	
—— Weather and Crop Service		1
Italy. Dept. of Agriculture		50
Jacobi, A., New York	1	
James Prendergast Free Library		1
Jaminet, *Mrs.* A., St Louis	49	10
Jansen, H. W., St. Louis	1	
Japan. Bureau General de Statistique	1	
Jersey City. Free Public Library		4
Jeffersonian Democrat Publ. Co		15
Jewett Norris Free Public Library, Trenton, *Mo*		3
John Crerar Library, Chicago		1
Johns Hopkins University		6
John F. Slater Fund		2
Joliet, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Jones, J. P., Gold Hill, *Mo*		1
Jones, S. M., Toledo	1	
Journal of Magnetism		1
Judson, F. N., St. Louis		1
K., *Judge* J. M., Philadelphia	1	
Kansas. Adjutant General	1	3
—— Inspector of Coal Mines	1	
—— Insurance, Supt. of	1	
—— Live Stock Commission		1
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Agricultural College		14
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	
—— University of Kansas		1
Kansas City. Board of Education		2
—— Fire Department		3
—— Public Library	1	2
Karst, Emil, St. Louis		1
Kaviratna, A. C., Calcutta, *India*		3
Kentucky, Agric. Exp. Sta		4
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		1
—— Historical Society		1
Kerr, Chas. H., & Co., Chicago		13
Kiefer, August, St. Louis	4	
Kieselhorst, *Miss* E. T., St. Louis		12
Kingsley House Association, Pittsburgh		1
Kirk, J. W., East St. Louis		1
Knights of St. Patrick, St. Louis		2
La Crosse, Board of Trade		1
Ladies Fancy Work Magazine, Grand Rapids		4
Lake Mohonk Conference		6
Lancaster, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Lane, L. P., Boston		1
Langton, J. F., St. Louis		1
Larned, J. N., Buffalo, *N. Y*		1
Lawrence, *Mass.* Water Board		1
—— Public Library		7
Lee, Olive B., Dallas, *Tex*		1
Legal Intelligencer, Phila	1	
Leipziger, H. M., *N. Y*		1
Leland Stanford Junior Univ		1
Lemcke and Buechner, New York	1	
Lever Bros., Ltd., Port Sunlight, Cheshire, *Eng*	3	
Lewis Institute, Chicago		1
Liberty and Property Defense League, London		10
Lincoln, *Eng.* Public Library		1
Lippincott & Co., J. B., Phila	1	5
Littlefoeld, *Hon.* C. E		1
Liverpool, *Eng.*, Public Libraries		
Lodge, *Hon.* Henry Cabot		
London, J. M., St. Louis	12	
London, *Eng.* Humanitarian League		4
—— Times Office	1	
London, *Ontario.* Public Library	1	
Los Angeles, *Cal.* Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Public Library	1	6
Louisiana. Adjutant General		1
—— Commissioner of Agric		2
—— Experiment stations	2	16
Lyman, B. S.' Phila		4
Lynn, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Lyte, J. L., Lancaster, *Pa*		1
McCann, J. J., St. Louis		1
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4	Newstead & St. Louis Aves	A. Ludwig	Daily.
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6	3625 N. Broadway	Waldeck Bros.	Daily.
7	14th & Monroe	F. H. Fricke	Daily.
8	Gravois & Arsenal St	B. Jost	Daily.
9	Bates & Virginia Ave	Bates St. Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
10	1701 Park Ave	Wm. C. Bolm	Daily.
11	Michigan & Kansas St	Schneider's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
12	Menard & Barton Sts	Alf. J. Wittmann	Wed. & Sat.
13	7618 S. Broadway	Hermann Bros.	Tues. & Fri.
14	Pestalozzi & Salena Sts	Kaltwasser Drug Co	Daily.
15	Meramac & Virginia Aves	R. C. Reilly	Tues. & Fri.
16	Tower Grove & Manchester	Chas. Lehmann	Daily.
17	919 N. Sarah St	F. L. Richt	Daily.
18	Cabanne Arcade	A. E. Suppiger	Daily.
19	Semple & Easton	E. A. Bernius	Daily.
20	Marcus & Easton	H. H. Temm	Daily.
21	Euclid & Delmar	Wm. K. Ilhardt	Daily.
22	Grand & Finney Aves	F. C. Gartholfner	Daily.
23	Broadway & Keokuk	R. S. Vitt	Daily.
24	Park & Compton Aves	J. V. Fischer	Daily.
25	Lafayette & California Aves	F. C. Meyer	Daily.
26	Chouteau & California Aves	Rodemich Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
27	Grand & Pine	J. Kennedy	Daily.
28	Cheltenham	Cheltenham Drug Store	Mon. & Thur.
29	23rd & Dodier	J. Tonte	Daily.
30	Lellingwell & Cass Aves	J. W. Westmann	Daily.
31	Grand & Shenandoah	Wm. F. Ittner	Daily.
32	Laclede & Boyle	Geo. B. Smith	Tues. & Fri.
33	Goode & Easton Aves	Jno. A. Guttmann	Daily.
34	12th & Chouteau Ave	F. Angermueller	Daily.
35	Morganford Rd. & Scanlan Ave	E. A. Schwenker	Mon. & Thur.
36	4403 Natural Bridge Rd	Mrs. L. H. Miller	Tues. & Fri.
37	Broadway & Barton	Coeln Drug Co	Wed. & Sat.
38	1821 N. Grand Ave	J. P. Wilcox	Mon. & Thur.
39	Westmoreland Hotel Drug Store	Leo Ruckersfeldt	Tues. & Fri.
40	Manchester & Ecoff Ave	Benton Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
41	2918 Manchester Ave	J. H. Thompson	Wed. & Sat.
42	Jefferson & Washington Aves	Louis Lehmann	Tues. & Fri.
43	1805 St. Louis Ave	J. W. White	Wed. & Sat.
44	Broadway & Marion	S. Bilny, Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
45	25th & Bremon Ave	Wellmeyer's Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
46	Shenandoah & Jefferson Aves	Theo. Hagenow	Mon. & Thur.
47	Academy & Suburban	Raymond Pl. Pharmacy	Daily.
48	1827 Cass Ave	C. W. Tonfohrde	Wed. & Sat.

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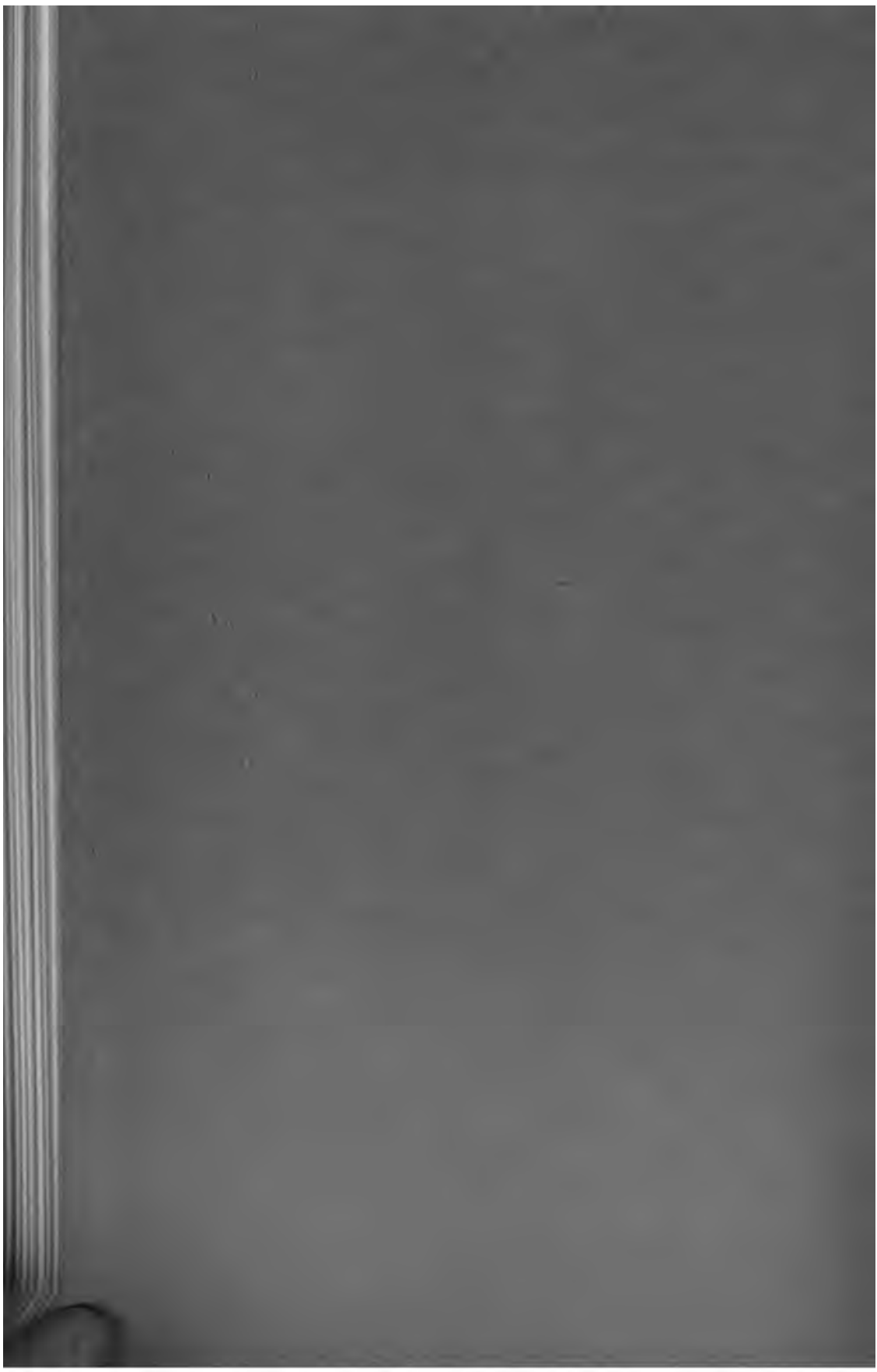
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St. Louis Public (Free) Library

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 16th, 1903.

Hon. Rolla Wells, Mayor of St. Louis, Mo.:

DEAR SIR: Herewith find report of the Librarian of the Public Library, showing its operations and its finances for the year ending April 30th, 1902.

Very respectfully,
F. W. LEHMANN,
President of the Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit my ninth annual report as Librarian of the Free Public Library, covering the year from May 1st, 1901, to April 30th, 1902, and including the close of my twenty-fifth year of service in this and the earlier institution out of which it grew. This year has been signalized by the fulfilment of the second condition of Mr. Carnegie's gift, as was the preceding year by his munificent offer and its immediate acceptance by an enthusiastic vote of the people. A full account of the negotiations that led to Mr. Carnegie's offer and the efforts made to fulfill its conditions is deferred to the close of the current year, by which time it is hoped the gift will begin to take shape in stone and brick.

While the securing of the Carnegie building fund is of such overwhelming importance as to dwarf every other event, the year shows a gratifying record in the general growth and progress of the Library. The additions to the collection were more numerous and more valuable than ever before, numbering 23,855 volumes, and including a number of costly works on the fine arts and other permanent additions to the reference department. The registration reached a total of nearly 55,000; and the total issue of books and periodicals went beyond the million mark.

The tax rate for the special library fund having been raised, by popular vote, from 1-5 to 2-5 of a mill, the revenue thus derived was, of course,

nearly doubled. The exact sum was $149,321.24, as against $75,727.18 of the previous year, a gain of $73,594.06. The desk receipts amounted to $5,852.79, an increase of $757.98 over the previous year. The chief items in this source of revenue are fines, (amounting this year to $3,018.14 and showing an increase of $337.80 over the previous year), and receipts from the Collection of Duplicates, amounting to $2,115.53, a gain of $263.93. The total charges for replacing lost cards aggregated $259.90, differing from the record of the previous year only by the addition of 80 cents. The gross receipts from rents amounted to $11,649.13.

The total expenditure for maintenance, including the amount expended for books, periodicals and binding, was $67,623.32, an increase of $13,935.99. Nearly all of this additional outlay was devoted to the up-keep and increase of the collection, the expenditure for books, periodicals and binding being $25,633.35, an excess of nearly $11,000 over the previous year. Books alone cost $19,697.17, binding $4,827.51, and periodicals, $1,108.67. The expenditure for furniture and repairs was unusually large, owing to the purchase of card cabinets, desks and boxes for delivery stations, a typewriter, chairs for reading room, repairing and reframing pictures, etc. During the year $36,801.44 was paid on account of real estate investments (building site $33,088.75, commissions and repairs $2,486.25, taxes for street reconstruction, $1,226.44), making a total outgo of $104,424.76, and leaving a balance of $80,800.37 in the treasury on April 7, 1902, the date when the accounts for the fiscal year were closed at the City Hall. A full statement of receipts and expenditures for the year and also a summary of receipts and expenditures for the eight years and two months since the transfer of the Library to its present governing body will be found in the following tables.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 7, 1902.

DR.

To balance in City Treasury, April 8, 1901		$ 18.197 29	
Collections April 8, 1901-April 7, 1902		149.321 24	$167.518 53
Collection of Duplicates—			
Books issued	$2.045 95		
Magazines sold	69 60	$ 2.115 55	
Fines		3.018 12	
Books sold, lost and paid for		343 94	
Catalogues		46 00	
Lost cards		259 90	
Postals		50 60	
Miscellaneous		18 68	5.852 79
Rent Collections			11.649 13
Interest			195 68
Refund, book account			9 00
			$185.225 13

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By Salaries			26.820 62
Books, Main Collection		$ 18.422 87	
Books, Collection of Duplicates		1.274 30	
Binding		4.827 51	
Periodicals		838 84	
Periodicals, Collection of Duplicates		269 83	25.633 35
Building Site		$ 36.801 44	
Rent		7.500 00	
Insurance		857 95	
Furniture and Repairs		2.135 03	47.294 42
Expense—			
Printing and Stationery		$ 1.682 13	
Delivery Stations		2.206 58	
Postage		178 35	
Sundries		347 82	
Supplies		259 74	
Advertising		1 75	4.676 37
Total Expenditures			$ 104.424 76
Balance in City Treasury, April 7, 1902			66.221 01
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1902			14.441 90
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1902			137 46
			$ 185.225 13

Building Site—		
Principal and Interest Notes		$ 33.088 75
Commissions and repairs	$2.486 25	
Taxes, street	1,226 44	3,712 64
		$ 36,801 44

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1902.

RECEIPTS.

	City Collections	Desk Receipts.	Rent.	Insurance	Misc.	Total.
1894	$ 49.773 52	$ 113 66				$ 49.887 18
1895	59.035 80	2.593 26			$ 3 41	61.632 47
1896	61.929 51	3.649 98	$ 482 79		87 96	66.150 24
1897	64.663 32	3.741 31	1.879 56		187 72	70.471 91
1898	67.638 45	3.839 86	1.480 00		424 81	73.383 12
1899	71.340 13	3.901 72	12.328 55	$39.742 72	476 24	127.789 36
1900	73.781 47	4.392 48	12.945 50		51 98	91.171 43
1901	75.727 18	5.096 81	13.501 46		398 23	94.722 68
1902	149.321 24	5.852 79	11.649 13		204 75	167.027 91
Total	$673.210 62	$33.180 87	$54.266 99	$39.742 72	$1835 10	$802.236 30

EXPENDITURES.

	Maintenance.	Real Estate.		Total.
1894	$ 2,876 19			$ 2,876 19
1895	43.305 69			43.305 69
1896	52.318 45	$ 40.900 00		93.218 45
1897	48.738 69	24.872 58		73.611 27
1898	58.051 90	29.972 00		88.023 90
1899	55.811 21	88.347 95		144.159 16
1900	45,789 48	36.973 36		82.762 84
1901	53.687 33	35,366 34		89.053 67
1902	67.623 32	36.801 44		104.424 76
Total	$428.202 26	$ 293.234 67		$ 721.435 93

Balance in City Treasury April 8, 1902	$ 66.221.01
Balance in Bank Fund	14.441.90
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1902	137.46
	$802.236.30

REGISTRATION.

The total of registered cardholders increased during the year from 51,193 to 54,701. There were also 2,076 "extra" (non-fiction) cards and 186 "Teachers'" cards issued; 18,761 cards that had been filled were replaced by new ones, and 1,274 cards were lost and paid for. The charge of ten cents for replacing lost cards fully pays for the stationery used and the time occupied in providing a new card. Guarantors to the number of 148 withdrew, and 9 were cancelled. Among the other miscellaneous work of this department was the changing of 3,598 addresses and the mailing of 113 notices. It has been deemed advisable, in the interest of economy, to have both sides of the reader's card ruled for charging, omit-

ting the rules formerly printed on the reverse side. The general registration and the registration by wards are given below.

Total cards in force, April 30, 1901	51,193	
Registered May 1, 1901-April 30, 1902	13,818	65,011
Cards expiring to April 30, 1902	16,410	
Less re-registered	6,100	10,310
		54,701
Total cards in force April 30, 1902, as follows:		
Men	13,922	
Women	16,044	
Children	24,605	
Institutions	130	
Total cards in force April 30, 1902	54,701	54,701

REGISTRATION BY WARDS, FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1902

Ward.		Ward.		Ward.	
1	948	11	397	21	645
2	677	12	309	22	945
3	1069	13	825	23	338
4	395	14	386	24	915
5	285	15	493	25	1189
6	731	16	654	26	1293
7	511	17	762	27	825
8	643	18	495	28	1265
9	806	19	672	Suburban	307
10	1089	20	549		
				Total	19,918

ORDER AND CATALOGUING DEPARTMENT.

This year is distinguished above all previous years by the addition of 23,855 volumes to the collection, more than twice the average of previous years. Of these 21,848 were purchases and 1,545 gifts. The purchases included 477 volumes of old periodicals to complete sets. The additions included 1743 volumes in the German language, 120 volumes in French, 44 volumes in Swedish and 39 volumes in other languages.

The purchasing of nearly 22,000 books and the cataloguing of nearly 24,000 occupied the time and absorbed the energies of the staff of the order and cataloguing department to the exclusion of other work that had theretofore been carried on. In previous years many lists were prepared, some printed and others typewritten and hung on the bulletin boards. This year no printing was done except lists of novels; and the typewritten lists were confined to recent additions and a bibliography of the Goethe literature in the library. It is hoped that in the coming year finding-lists of English and German fiction will be published, as well as a list of technological books and various special lists for the guidance of readers.

Practically no work was done on the subject index begun three years ago; and it was necessary to stop progress on the portrait collection, which had been worked on from time to time for over twelve years. Nevertheless, the copying of the shelf-list of novels from sheets to standard cards was completed, R to Z being copied during the year; and the shelf-list of juveniles was copied from A to F. The work of this department was carried on under the disadvantage of crowded quarters. That so much was done and so well done reflects special credit on the head of the department, and speaks for the intelligence, industry and zeal of her assistants.

Particulars regarding class, source and language of the year's accessions are given in the following tables.

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1902.

CLASSES.	Reg. Library.	Coll. of Duplicates	Totals.
Philosophy	74		74
Religion	320		320
Social Science	1151	2	1153
Natural Science	1138		1138
Art and Poetry	736	6	742
Fiction	8894	1361	10255
Juvenile Literature	7724	5	7729
Literary Miscellany	531	8	539
Travels and History	1309	3	1312
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	593		593
	22470	1385	23855
SOURCE.			
Purchase	20463	1385	21848
Gift	1545		1545
Pamphlets, bound	14		14
Periodicals, bound	448		448
	22470	1385	23855
LANGUAGE.			
English	20524	1385	21909
French	120		120
German	1743		1743
Other	83		83
	22470	1385	23855

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Withdrawn		8,731
Lost and paid for		183
Miscellaneous (burned on account of contagious diseases)		38
Charged to borrower		95
Total		9,047
Total additions	23,855	
Less above	9,047	
Net increase	14,808	

Of the 8,731 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 3,248 were replaced by new copies, as were also 43 volumes out of 183 lost and paid for.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONS.

Among the many noteworthy purchases, the following seem of most importance. They are nearly all reference books, and about two-fifths of them are works on the graphic arts.

FINE ARTS.

Architectural masterpieces of Belgium, Holland, etc. F.
Chandler, J. E. Colonial architecture. 1900. O.
Espouy, H.d'. Fragments d'architecture antique. F[5].
Hall, J. Essay on Gothic architecture. 1813. F.
Kelly, E. H. Architectural acoustics. 1898. O.
Wheatley, R. Cathedrals and abbeys in Gt. Brit. and Ireland. 1890. F[5].
Hartmann, S. Modern Amer. sculpture. F.

Loehr, A. R. v. Wiener Medailleure. 1899. F.
Schulz, A. Deutsche sculpturen der neuzeit. F[s].
Baldry, A. L. Hubert von Herkomer. 1901. F.
Marillier, H. C. Dante Gabriel Rossetti. 1901. F.
Paris. Salon. 1900. F.
Rooses, M. Fifty masterpieces of Van Dyck. 1900. F.
Stevenson, R. A. M. Art of Velasquez. 1895. F.
Watt, J. C. Examples of Greek and Pompeiian work. 1897. F.
Beardsley, A. Later work. 1901. Q.
Dilke, *Lady*. French furniture and decoration of the 18th century. 1901. Q.
English household furniture. 1900. F.
Lockwood, L. V. Colonial furniture in Amer. 1901. Q.
Salwey, *Mrs.* C. M. (B.) Fans of Japan. 1894. F.

TRAVEL, HISTORY, BIOGRAPHY, ETC.

Brown, R. Countries of the world. 6v. Q.
Larned, J. N. History for ready reference. 1901. v. 6.
Pausanias. Description of Greece; tr. by J. C. Frazer. 1898. 6v.
Conard, H. L. Encyclopedia of the history of Mo. 1901. 6v.
American reference library. [c1900.] 6v. O.
Holinshed, R. Chronicles of England, Scotland and Ireland. 1807-8. 6v.
Ramsay, *Sir* J. H. Lancaster and York. 1892. 2v. O.
Hazlitt, W. C. Venetian republic. 1900. 2v. O.
Lugard, F. D. Rise of our East African empire. 1893. 2v. O.
Gatty, *Mrs.* A. Book of sun-dials. 1900. Q.
Head, B. V. Historia numorum. 1887. Q.
Bradford, W. Sketches of the country, costume, *etc.*, of Portugal and Spain, 1809. F.
Artagnan, Charles de Baty de Castlemore, *comte* d' Memoirs. 1899. 3v. O.
Byrd, W. Writing; ed. by J. S. Bassett. 1901. Q.
Greard, V. C. O. Meissonier. 1897. F.
Mason, G. C. Life and works of Gilbert Stuart. 1879. Q.
Davies, A. C. F. Armorial families. 1895. F.
Imperial reference library; ed. by C. S. Morris. 6v. [c1899]. Q.
Fletcher, W. I. Index to general literature, enlarged to 1900. Q. 2 cop.
Poole, W. F. Index to periodical literature; abr. by W. I. Fletcher. 1901. Q.
Morris, H., *and* Lond, M. B. Human anatomy. 1899. Q.

EXCHANGES AND DONATIONS.

The receipts by exchange and gift during the year amounted to 2,186 volumes and 5,525 pamphlets, not quite as many as the total for the preceding year. They came from 871 sources, and are separately acknowledged in an appendix. The largest donation was that of Mr. Chas. R. Gregory, who, to his former gift, added another box of French books numbering 250 volumes. With these was included, also, a fine set of Tacitus from Mr. Wm. A. Gregory. The Library is indebted to City Register Fitzgibbon for 325 volumes of Mayor's Messages for use in making exchanges. The Art League of St. Louis presented its portfolio collection of over fifteen hundred reproductions of famous pictures, which had been for several years deposited in the Library and issued therefrom. Other gifts of from ten to seventy-five volumes were received from the following persons, firms and institutions: Mrs. Geo. O. Carpenter, Congregational Missionary Library, D. C. Heath & Co., Mr. Geo. C. Hitchcock, Indiana State Library, Hon. Chas. F. Joy, Miss Alice Litton, Missouri Branch W. B. M. I. (as a nucleus for Congregational Missionary Reference Library), Gen. Jno. W. Noble, Miss Elizabeth Patterson, Hon. Chas. E. Pearce, Mr. E. C. Robbins, Jas. A. Rose, Sec'y State, Illinois, Social Settlement League, and Hon. A. M. Thayer.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

The task of taking stock naturally becomes greater as the collection grows; but the difficulty is further increased by the crowded condition of our shelves and the consequent impossibility of keeping the books in proper order. The inventory completed May 31, 1901, shows that on that date there were on the shelves about 141,701 volumes, of which 135,701 were catalogued. The following tables give the contents of the collection by classes and by rooms. The additions from June 1, 1901, to April 30, 1902 (after subtracting books worn out, lost and paid for, etc.), bring the total up to 156,092 volumes.

As always happens, this inventory accounted for a number of volumes (95) that could not be found or accounted for at the previous stock-taking.

The weekly and monthly records summed up at the time of the stock-taking showed that during the two years between inventories 8,493 volumes had been worn out and withdrawn, 313 volumes lost and paid for, 190 volumes charged to borrowers and not returned, and 1,158 volumes were not accounted for. The last item will unquestionably be considerably reduced, as each inventory discovers books previously unaccounted for.

While the chief object of an inventory is to ascertain what books are on hand and what have disappeared, there are incidental results that are of no small value. In general, it serves as a revision of the shelf list (or official classed catalogue), checking that with the books themselves, and thus discovering any discrepancies between the card and book and any mistakes that may have been made in the shelf-list, or in preparing the book for circulation. It also calls attention to books out of place on the shelves and to loss of title pages and other imperfections. It is an inspection as well as an inventory.

CONTENTS OF LIBRARY, JUNE 1, 1901.

Classes.	Reg. Lib.	Coll. of Dup.	Totals.
Philosophy	1,466		1,466
Theology	5,774		5,774
Social Science	21,348		21,348
Natural Science	18,530		18,530
Art and Poetry	7,797	2	7,799
Fiction	24,956	489	25,445
Juvenile Literature	20,343	1	20,344
Literary Miscellany	7,262	3	7,265
Travels and History	16,147	6	16,153
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	11,577		11,577
	135,200	501	135,701
Unentered duplicates and books not yet catalogued, about			6,000
Total contents, May 31, 1901			141,701

CONTENTS OF EACH ROOM.

Circulation Department—		
Main Library	87,884	
Collection of Duplicates	501	
Froebel Collection	325	
	88,710	
Ref. Books in Issue Department	2,553	91,263
Reference Department—		
Public Document Room		13,328
U. S. Documents shelved in hall		8,886
Reading Room		1,375
Art Room		1,905
Catalogue Room		345
Office		47
Reference Room	15,068	
McAnally Collection	3,484	18,552
		135,701
Unentered duplicates, etc. (about)		6,000
Total contents of collection, May 31, 1901		141,701
Added, June 1, 1901-April 30, 1902	22,922	
Withdrawn, lost and paid for, etc., June 1, 1901-April 30, 1902	8,531	
Net additions		14,391
Total contents, April 30, 1902		156,092

BINDING.

Both in volumes bound for the first time and in volumes rebound there is, as was to be expected, an increase—not a large one—over last year: 1,417 volumes bound, as compared with 1,137 of the previous year, and 8,527 rebound, as against 8,404 of the preceding year. The cost of the former averaged 67.9 cents per volume, and of the latter 40 cents a volume, exactly the same average as that of the former year. Most of the volumes newly bound are reference books, while nearly all the rebound books belong to the circulation department. There were also 2,712 volumes repaired by contract, and 9,471 repaired in the Library.

CIRCULATION.

This year we crossed the million mark. The total issue of books and periodicals was 1,082,370. The home issue was 778,507, divided as follows: Main desk (drawn by call slips), 176,291; open shelves, 173,893 (of which 41,263 were from the Collection of Duplicates); delivery stations, 237,531; supplementary reading and depositories, 103,320; juvenile room, 87,972. The gain in the home issue was 38,328, and the total gain 83,773.

The above figures show that out of 778,507 books drawn for home reading 340,851, 43 per cent, were issued through the delivery stations and other outside agencies; that of books drawn by adults at the Library, nearly as many were selected by readers from the open shelves as were called for at the receiving desk; and that nearly one-fourth of the books drawn from the open shelves were from the Collection of Duplicates; and, also, that of the juvenile issue, considerably more than half was distributed through the schools. These facts plainly indicate that the open shelf system should be extended, and that the growth of the Library's usefulness to the public must come through the extension of its distributing agencies—through the increase of delivery stations, the establishment of branches and a closer co-operation with the schools. The largest week-day issue was 4,340, and the smallest was 1,361, on August 2. The total Sunday issue was 16,941, and the holiday issue 15,009, an average of 1,851 for the eight holidays. The average daily issue was 3,338; the average week-day issue, 3,468. The number of periodicals issued in the Reading Room was 208,757. The recorded issue of books for use in the Reading Room and the Reference Room was 95,106; but thousands of volumes were used in the Reference Room of which no record was made. There has been a decrease in the number of ordinary books drawn for pastime reading in the Reading Room, and a marked increase in the use of the Reference Room for study and investigation. The latter room was frequently crowded to the point of discomfort. The increase in the use of the Reference Department was in greater ratio than that of any other department. The books drawn for both Reading Room and Reference Room (i. e., for reading and for study) numbered, the previous year, 70,606; the year before that, 66,966—showing a gain of less than 4,000. This year shows an increase from 70,606 to 95,106—more than 35 per cent. The use of the Reference Room has steadily grown from the beginning, but has not before shown so great an increase. And, as remarked before, an increasing ratio of this issue of books for use in the Library consists of books drawn in the Reference Room; while as the issue grows, the record falls more and more short of the actual figures. Full details of the issue for the year are given in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	Home Issue.						
	Main Library.	Delivery Stations.	Schools and Depositories	Total	Library.	Periodicals.	Total.
May	33,434	20,203	8,456	62,093	6,974	15,108	84,175
June	29,645	15,142		44,787	5,438	11,193	61,418
July	29,970	14,683		44,653	5,712	10,246	60,611
August	31,574	13,912		45,786	5,241	11,386	62,413
September	29,329	12,605	1,617	43,551	5,238	11,447	60,236
October	34,449	16,504	9,163	60,116	8,549	16,615	85,280
November	38,716	24,887	12,567	76,170	9,515	20,102	105,787
December	36,293	20,475	10,849	67,617	9,001	21,632	98,250
January	43,920	20,185	16,029	80,134	10,320	23,692	114,146
February	41,622	26,548	13,231	81,401	10,266	21,876	113,543
March	46,703	26,226	14,802	87,731	11,210	24,450	123,391
April	42,201	25,961	16,306	84,468	7,642	21,010	113,120
Total	438,156	237,331	103,020	778,507	95,106	208,757	1,082,370
1901	409,687	210,784	119,708	740,179	70,606	187,812	998,597
Gain	28,469	26,547		38,328	24,500	20,945	83,773
Loss			*16,688				

*Owing to lack of transportation.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent	Total Issue of Books.	Per Cent.
Philosophy	3,682	.47	1,085	1.14	4,767	.55
Religion	3,830	.49	4,058	4.27	7,888	.90
Soc. Science	5,794	.74	14,072	14.79	19,866	2.27
Natural Science	14,203	1.82	12,826	13.48	27,029	3.09
Art	6,526	.84	7,259	7.63	13,785	1.58
Poetry	9,807	1.26	3,736	3.93	13,543	1.54
Fiction	386,429	49.63	7,121	7.48	393,550	45.05
Coll. of Dup	41,263	5.30			41,263	4.72
Juvenile	265,548	34.11	1,210	1.27	266,758	30.53
Lit. Misc	10,409	1.34	6,375	6.70	16,784	1.92
Travels	6,777	.87	4,305	4.52	11,082	1.27
History	9,913	1.27	8,914	9.37	18,827	2.16
Biography	8,070	1.04	5,813	6.11	13,883	1.59
Magazine	6,256	.80	18,332	19.27	24,588	2.81
Total	778,507	99.98	95,106	99.96	873,613	99.98

SUMMARIES.

	1900-01	1901-02
Home issue, regular library	704,363	737,244
Home issue, collection of duplicates	35,816	41,263
	740,179	778,507
Library issue	70,606	95,106
Total issue of books	810,785	873,613
Reading Room issue—periodicals	187,812	208,757
Total issue in all departments	998,597	1,082,370
Gain in 1901-1902 over 1900-1901		83,773

Largest Week Day Issue, Wednesday, February 26, 1902.

Main desk	595
Open shelves	572
Juvenile	278
Del. Sta. and Depositories	1,767
Total home issue	3,212
Library issue	306
Reading room	822
Total issue in all Departments	4,340

Smallest Week Day Issue, August 2, 1901.

Main desk	422
Open shelves	346
Juvenile	156
Delivery stations	437
Total home issue	1,361
Library issue	84
Reading room	378
Total issue in all Departments	1,823

Largest Sunday Issue, Nov. 3, 1901.

Library issue	344
Reading room	345
Total	689

Smallest Sunday Issue, July 21, 1901.

Library issue	22
Reading room	98
Total	120

Total Sunday Issue.

Library issue	2,135
Reading room	14,806
Total	16,941

Average Sunday Issue.

Library issue	41
Reading room	284
	325

Average Daily Issue

Home issue	2,495
Library issue	264
Reading room	579
Total	3,338

Average Week Day Issue.

Home issue	2,495
Library issue	304
Reading room	669
Total	3,468

HOLIDAY ISSUE.

Decoration Day	1,440	260	465	2,165
Fourth of July	307	25	140	472
Labor Day	1,320	209	372	1,901
McKinley's funeral	120			120
Thanksgiving Day	454	82	615	1,151
Christmas Day	23	32	275	330
New Year's Day	108	95	902	3,795
Washington's Birthday	3,596	647	832	5,075
Total	7,368	1,350	3,601	15,009
Average	921	168	450	1,851

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	01-02
May	612	1,394	990	1,258	1,096	1,401	2,431	2,957
June	542	1,222	978	1,160	625	1,324	2,290	2,747
July	643	1,192	900	1,034	1,029	1,320	2,199	2,785
August	733	1,225	930	985	1,102	1,574	2,305	2,690
September	666	1,016	878	972	917	1,707	2,200	2,522
October	771	1,130	996	1,367	1,307	1,930	2,974	2,569
November	931	1,302	1,046	1,643	1,281	2,230	3,621	3,845
December	987	1,257	1,181	1,894	1,423	2,577	3,536	3,838
January	1,190	1,469	1,389	1,858	1,507	3,082	3,678	4,303
February	1,482	1,459	1,413	1,610	1,491	2,536	3,480	4,100
March	1,780	1,378	1,380	1,680	1,591	3,548	3,773	4,596
April	1,649	1,085	1,396	1,394	1,446	2,755	3,329	3,971
Total	11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984	35,816	41,263
Average	990	1,266	1,123	1,409	1,269	2,165	2,818	3,438

CIRCULATION BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	94-95	95-96	96-97	97-98	98-99	99-00	00-01	01-02
Home Issue	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,339	707,823	740,179	778,507
Reference and Library	40,628	46,082	51,240	69,070	65,732	66,966	70,606	95,106
Reading Room	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,763	201,886	187,812	208,757
Total	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675	998,597	1,082,370

DELIVERY STATIONS.

There were issued through the stations 237,331 books, a gain of 26,547. Station 14, Pestalozzi and Salena, had the largest issue, 13,994. This was followed by No. 22, Grand and Finney avenues, with 10,019; No. 23, Broadway and Keokuk, 9,709; No. 25, Lafayette and California, 9,407; No. 19, Semple and Easton, 8,667; No. 30, Leffingwell and Cass, 8,575, and No. 33, Goode and Easton, 8,527.

On January 1 our contract with the St. Louis Delivery Company was cancelled and a new one made. In addition to the two wagons already in service this new contract provided for the one-third time of a third wagon until June, two-thirds until November, and full time thereafter to the end of the contract.

Station No. 6, 3625 North Broadway, and No. 27, Grand and Pine, were changed from bi-weeklies to dailies. No. 17 was moved from Delmar and Sarah to 919 Sarah; No. 27, from 3350 Laclede to Grand, between Lindell and Pine; No. 7 from 14th and Monroe to 15th and Chambers. Under our contract the following new stations have been added:

No. 39. Westmoreland Hotel Drug Store.
41. No. 2 North Jefferson avenue.
42. Washington and Jefferson avenues.
43. No. 4865 St. Louis avenue.
44. Broadway and Marion.
45. 25th street and Bremen avenue.
46. Jefferson and Shenandoah avenues.
47. Academy avenue and Suburban Tracks.
48. No. 1827 Cass avenue.

By our contract we are allowed seventy stations; and the probabilities are, that, before the winter is over, we shall have our full quota.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

The increase in the issue of books for children is not so great as we had reason to expect, and the explanation is easy to find. It lies in the lack of facilities for carrying the books to and from the schools. Miss Krug reports:

"The Supply Commissioner gave us *very* limited transportation, from one to three small boxes per day during the months of October, March and April; *no* transportation during September, January and February; *good* transportation, about ten boxes per day, during November and December. So great was the enthusiasm of principals, teachers and children that they were willing to do a great deal of heavy transportation by carrying the books.

"Of the seventy-five white schools in the city, fifty have been fairly constant borrowers; nine drew occasionally, and sixteen not at all. Of these sixteen, five had used the sets quite regularly the previous year, but did not call for them this year, and eleven have never used the supplementary reading. The colored schools have not made much use of sets."

Supplementary Reading.

From the experience of the last three years, Miss Krug makes the following interesting comments on the relative popularity or unpopularity of the books sent in sets to the schools. The degree of popularity depends, to some extent, on the material make-up of the book, as is indicated in several items in the lists:

USEFULNESS OF THE OLD SETS.

"Some of our first selections we may still count as our best material. The following are especially popular:

Baldwin. Old Greek stories.
—— Old stories of the East.
Brooks. Stories of the red children.
Carroll. Alice in wonderland.
Clemens. Prince and pauper.
DeFoe. Robinson Crusoe. (McMurry.)
Dodge. Hans Brinker.
Eggleston. First book in American history.
—— Stories of American life and adventure.
—— Stories of great Americans for little Americans.
Homer. Story of Troy; Clark.
Kingsley. Greek heroes.
Lane. Stories for children.
Lang. Fairy books, Cinderella, etc.
McMurry. Classic stories.
Mulock. Adventures of a brownie.
—— Little lame prince.
Sewell. Black beauty.
Swinton. Golden book.
Taylor. Boys of other countries.
Wiggin. The Bird's Christmas carol.

These have grown in popularity during the last year:

Norton. Heart of oak books.
Johonnot. Book of cats and dogs.
—— Neighbors with wings and fins.
Longfellow. Hiawatha. (Unabridged.)
Morley. Seed babies.

"There is still much call for the geographical books, also for Lovering's New York and Pratt's Massachusetts, by those who dote on books of information.

"Of the new sets added during the last year these are especially to be commended:

La Motte-Fouqué. Undine.
Martineau. Peasant and prince.
Ruskin. King of the Golden River.
Scudder. Book of legends.
Six nursery classics.
Wyss. Swiss family Robinson.
The Caldecott picture books.

"The last named have grown greatly in popularity. Unfortunately these sets, as also the "Prince and Pauper" sets, could not be circulated, as they were too heavy to carry by hand.

"These have not proved wholly satisfactory:

Arabian Nights. (Not a good edition. *Riverside.*)
Homer. Ulysses. (*Cook.*) (Better edition wanted.)
Froissart. Chronicles; Singleton. (Seems rather difficult)
Story of the English kings. (Seems rather difficult.)
Old World wonder stories; and, Perrault. Tales of Mother Goose. (Not so satisfactory as the Lang books.)
Nibelungen Lied; Burt.
True. The iron star.
Golden fairy book.

"Some of the sets for which we had little or no call we have put into the ordinary circulation department. They are doing good service there, and have helped us out when we were short of books. The sets so transferred are:

Aesop fables; Pratt. Ser. 1.....2 sets.
Beckwith. In mythland.....1 set.
Goody Two Shoes.....1 set.
Holbrook. Hiawatha primer.....1 set.
Longfellow. Hiawatha, the Indian.....1 set.
Lang. Jack, the giant-killer.....1 set.
Thompson. First reader.....1 set.

"These sets were worn out:

Baldwin. Fifty famous stories.....1 set.
—— Old stories of the East.....1 set.

Bates. Fairy tale of a fox.....2 sets.
Brooks. Stories of the red children.....1 set.
Crosby. Our little book for little folks.....2 sets.
Lane. Stories for children.....2 sets.
Lang. History of Whittington.....1 set.
—— Jack and the bean stalk.....2 sets.
—— Little Red Riding Hood.....1 set.
—— Princess on the glass hill.....1 set.
—— Sleeping Beauty 1 set.
—— Snow-drop 4 sets.
McMurry. Classic stories 1 set.

Depository Libraries.

"There was no growth over last year in the circulation through this agency. We found, last year, that some schools had asked for large collections and had used them very little, so that we did not specially encourage these to draw again. Then, too, in the middle of the year, we refused all applicants who wanted school libraries, because our supply of books was short. The books were better used this year, and where the issue report was not satisfactory we called them in. I recommend that we send out smaller collections, thirty instead of fifty books, and add as the issue grows."

ISSUED FROM DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES. 1901-1902.

	Books.	Weeks.	Total Issue	Average per week.
Carondelet	150	28	2,599	93
Clinton	115	27	2,215	82
Columbia	125	21	1,882	90
Eliot	260	20	2,791	140
Elleardsville	25	14	273	20
Fremont	275	32	5,951	186
Garfield	130	27	975	36
Madison	36	3	270	90
Marshall	40	8	170	25
Pestalozzi	100	11	604	55
Pope	75	24	614	26
Shepard	200	26	3,523	135
Soc. Settlement	30	7	32	5
Walther College	70	11	422	38
Total			22,321	

THE CARNEGIE GIFT.

On May 7, 1902, just subsequent to the close of the year covered by this report, the property of the old Exposition was sold under an order of the bondholders, and was purchased by President Lehmann under authorization of the Board of Directors of the Library, for $280,000. This was the total amount of the bonds and accrued interest and the floating debt of the Exposition Company. The bulk of the money was raised by subscription among the Directors of the St. Louis Union Trust Company. This was supplemented by subscriptions from four or five holders of Exposition paper, and the small balance was made up by the Board out of the Library funds. The Exposition site thus passed into the possession of the Library Board, to be used as a site for the central Carnegie building. The ordinance, however, which grants this use, compels the retention of the building now on the ground until after the conclusion of the Louisiana Purchase World's Fair.

THE STAFF.

In April, 1902, Mr. Jonathan W. George, Reference Librarian, resigned his position to enter business, after twelve years of creditable service in the Library. The position has been satisfactorily filled by the promotion of Miss Katherine T. Moody. For the staff, as a whole, I can only repeat the words of appreciation and praise of last year.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Nov. 10, 1902.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edward L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1902, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 28th November, Nineteen hundred and two.

((Seal.)

H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 13th, 1906.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, }

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 2d day of May, 1903.

(Seal.)

OTTO L. ZELLE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis.

My term expires November 10, 1905.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES, MAY 1, 1901—APRIL 30, 1902.

2186 Volumes and 5520 Pamphlets were received as exchanges and donations from 869 sources, as follows:

	Vol.	Pphs.
Abbott, E. H. *Boston, Mass*	...	1
Accrington. *Eng.* Public Library	...	1
Adams Nervine Asylum	...	1
Aguilar Free Library *N. Y.*	...	2
Alabama. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	4
—— Geol. Survey	1	...
Albany. Bd. of Pub. Instruction	...	1
Allegheny, *Pa.* Carnegie Free Library	...	1
American Academy of Medicine	...	4
American Anti-Trust League	...	3
American Bankers' Assoc	1	1
American Bd. of Commrs. for Foreign Missions	...	14
American Catholic hist. researches	...	3
American Church Missionary Soc	...	2
American Climatological Assoc	...	2
American Colonization Soc. *Wash*	...	3
American Congregational Assoc. *Boston*	...	2
American electro-therapeutic and X-ray era	...	1
American Federation of Labor. *Wash*	...	2
American Fireproofing and Cement Construction Co	1	...
American Free Trade League. *Boston*	...	3
American Friend Pub. Co	...	17
American Institute of Architects. *Wash*	...	4
American Irish Hist. Soc	1	...
American mathematical monthly. *Springfield, Mo*	...	3
American medical journalist	...	2
American monthly magazine	...	4
American Numismatic and Archaelogical Soc	...	1
American Park and Outdoor Art Assoc	1	4
American Peace Society	...	17
American Protective Tariff League	...	2
American Social Science Assoc	1	1
American Soc. for the Extension of Univ. Teaching	...	1
American Soc. of Civil Engineers	2	...
American Street Railroad Assoc	...	1
Amherst College	...	2
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. of Mass	1	14
Anderson, *Dr.* J. T. *Brooklyn, N. Y*	...	1
Andover Theological Seminary	...	1
Annals of the propagation of the faith	...	1
Anonymous	1	8
Appleton & Co. (D.) *N. Y*	1	...
Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools in Middle States and Md	...	1
Association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools of the Southern States	...	1
Association of Military Surgeons	...	3
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe. R. R. Co	...	1
Atlanta. Bd. of Educ	...	3

Atlanta. Carnegie Library	...	1
Audubon Soc. of Mo.	...	2
Bachelor.	...	3
Balch, T. W. *Phil.*	1	...
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce	1	...
Baltimore sun	...	1
Barnes Medical College. *St. Louis*	...	1
Barrow-in Furness, *Eng.* Free Public Library	...	1
Bates, W. H.	6	...
Battersea Public Libraries	...	1
Bayer Company Ltd. *Elberfeld, Germany*	3	21
Beer, L. W. *New Orleans*	1	...
Belgium. Dept. of Agric. and Pub. Works	...	15
Belleville, *Ill.* Public Library	...	1
Bemis, E. W. *Cleveland, Ohio*	...	1
Berlin. Bureau of Statistics	...	1
—— Magistrates	...	1
Beverly, *Mass.*. Public Library	...	1
Billon. *Miss. St. Louis*	7	...
Blackburn Free Library. *County Borough of Blackburn, Eng.*	...	1
Blair, J. L. *St. Louis*	1	1
Blees Military Academy. *Macon, Mo.*	...	4
Bolton. Public Free Library. *Bolton, Eng.*	...	1
Book notes. *Providence, R. I.*	...	6
Boston. Associated Charities	...	1
—— Auditor	1	...
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
—— Children's Aid Society	...	1
—— Children's Institutions Dept.	2	...
—— Dept. of Parks	...	1
—— Health Department	1	14
—— Home for Aged Men	...	1
—— Improved Dwelling Association	...	1
—— Industrial Aid Society	...	1
—— Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children	...	1
—— Metropolitan Park Commissioners	1	...
—— Museum of Fine Arts	...	1
—— Provident Assoc.	...	1
—— Public Library	1	10
—— School Committee	2	24
—— Young Men's Christian Union	1	...
Boston Book Co.	...	4
Boston Transit Commission	1	...
Bowdoin College. *Brunswick, Me.*	...	1
Bower, W. *Ava, Ill.*	1	...
Bradford, C. *St. Louis*	1	...
Breeze Pub. Co.	1	...
Breslau. Handelskammer	...	1
Bridgeport, *Conn.* Public Library	...	1
British Columbia. Bd. of Trade	...	1
—— Minister of Mines	...	1
Brockton, *Mass.* Public Library	...	4
Bronson Library. *Waterbury, Conn.*	...	1
Brookline. Public Library	...	6
Brooklyn. Public Library	...	8
Brooklyn Library	...	1
Brown, J. P. *Boston*	1	...
Brown and Sharpe Mfg. Co. *Providence*	2	...
Brown University. *Providence*	...	1
Bryn Mawr College. *Bryn Mawr, Penn.*	...	1
Buffalo. Common Council	1	...
—— Merchants Exchange	...	2
—— Public Library	...	1

Buffalo Charity Organization Soc	...	1
Bullard Machine Tool Co. Bridgeport, Conn	...	1
Bunker Hill Monument Assoc	1	...
Burlington, *Io.* Free Public Library	...	1
Bussey Institution. *Jamaica Plains, Mass*	...	1
Byars, W. V. *St. Louis*	...	1
Cahn, Wampold and Co. *Chicago*	5	3
Caldwell, J. W. *St. Louis*	3	...
California. Railroad Commrs	...	1
—— State Library	...	12
Cambridge, *Mass.* City Clerk	2	...
—— Public Library	...	1
Campbell, *Rev. T. J*	...	1
Canada. Auditor General	2	...
—— Dept. of Agric	...	6
—— Dept. of Militia and Defense	...	3
—— Dept. of Railways and Canals	1	...
—— Dept. of Trade and Commerce	2	10
—— Geological Survey	2	2
—— Minister of Education	...	1
—— Minister of Finance	...	16
—— Geographic Bd	...	1
—— Inland Revenue Dept	...	2
—— Minister of Justice	...	1
—— Minister of Public Works	...	2
—— Post Office Dept	1	2
Canada stamp sheet and energy. *Quebec*	...	1
Cantwell, H. J. *St. Louis*	...	6
Carlisle, C. *Washington*	2	...
Carnegie Institute. *Pittsburgh*	1	...
Carpenter, *Mrs.* G. O. *St. Louis*	48	196
Casco Bay breeze	1	...
Catholic school journal	...	1
Central Conference of Amer. Rabbis	...	9
Century Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	64
Chadwick, *Capt.* F. E. *Newport, R. I*	...	1
Challenge. *Los Angeles, Cal*	...	1
Charaka-samhita	...	2
Chicago. Bur. of Justice	...	4
——City Homes Assoc	...	2
—— Fire Dept	...	2
—— Health Dept	...	5
—— Municipal Library and Bur. of Statistics	...	5
—— Public Library	...	10
—— South Park Commrs	...	1
Chicago and Alton R. R	...	1
Chicago and Northwestern R. R	...	1
Chicago Historical Society	...	4
Chicago Library Club	...	1
Chicago, Milwaukee and St. P. R. R	...	1
Christian Social Union	...	1
Christian Socialist League	...	3
Cincinnati. Associated Charities	...	1
—— Commrs. of Waterworks	...	1
—— Public Library	...	14
Civic improvement bulletin. *St. Louis*	...	1
Clark, G. M. *Higganum, Conn*	...	2
Clark (C. M.) Pub. Co. *Boston*	1	...
Clendennin, *Mrs.* I. R. *St. Louis*	4	...
Cleveland. Bd. of Education	...	1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
—— Public Library	...	2
Clothed with the sun. *Washington*	...	1

Coates and Co. (Henry T.) *Phil.*	1	...
Cockrell, F. M. *Washington*	22	32
Collector, *N. Y.*	...	1
Colles, G. W.	...	1
Colorado. Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	6
—— Bur. of Mines	...	2
—— Revenue Commission	...	1
—— State Ins. Dept.	1	...
Colorado Bar Assoc.	...	1
Columbia Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	72
Columbia Univ. *N. Y.*	2	4
Columbus, *O.* Public School Library	...	1
Concord, *N. H.* Public Library	...	1
Congregational Education Society	...	1
Congregational Homes Missionary Soc.	...	2
Congregational Missionary Library	75	...
Connecticut Agric. Exp. Station	1	2
—— Bank Commissioners	1	...
—— Bd. of Educ.	1	...
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	1	...
—— Public Library Committee	1	3
—— Sec. of State	5	...
—— State Bd. of Charities	1	...
—— State Bd. of Health	1	...
—— State Library	2	9
Cornell University	...	2
—— Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	22
Correct English	...	1
Council Bluffs. Free Public Library	...	1
Creelman, J.	1	...
Crunden, F. M. *St. Louis*	2	73
Cust, R. N. *London*	1	...
Dandeno, J. B. *St. Louis*	...	1
Dartmouth College	1	3
Day, *Rev.* J. W. *St. Louis*	...	1
Dayton, *O.* Public Library and Museum	...	4
Deering Harvester Co., *Chicago, Ill.*	1	...
Delaware. Adjutant Gen.	1	...
Denver. Bureau of Health	...	15
Denver Medical Pub. Co.	...	1
Detroit. Public Library	...	2
Dieckman, E. C. *St. Louis*	...	10
Discontent	...	1
District of Columbia Electrical Dept.	...	1
Public Library	...	1
Drainage Journal	...	1
Dresser, H. W. *Boston*	1	...
Drexel Institute. *Phil.*	...	1
Dundee. Free Libraries	...	3
East St. Louis Public Library	...	1
Eau Claire Public Library	...	1
Edgar, T. B. *St. Louis, Mo.*	1	...
Editor and publisher. *N. Y.*	...	1
Elisha Mitchell Scientific Society	...	1
Empire review	...	1
English Land Restoration League	...	5
Erie, *Pa.* Public Library	...	1
Evanston, *Ill.* Free Public Library	...	1
Evens and Howard, *St. Louis*	1	...
Falbisauer, A.	...	1
Fanning, *Mrs.* R. E. *St. Louis*	2	...
Field, M. *Chicago*	2	...
Field Columbian Museum. *Chicago*	...	8

Finsbury, Metropolitan Borough of. Public Libraries Com..	...	1
Fitz Public Library. *Chelsea, Mass*	...	1
Fletcher Free Library	...	1
Florida. Agric. Exp. Station	...	6
Forbes Library. *Northampton, Mass*	...	2
France. Ministere du Commerce	...	1
Friends' Free Library and Reading Room. *Germantown, Pa.*		
Gage, M. J. *Chicago*	2	...
Garcia, G. *Mexico*	1	1
Garrison, *Rev.* J. H. *St. Louis*	1	...
Gay, G. W. *Boston*	...	4
General Theological Library. *Boston*	...	1
George, J. W. *St. Louis*	...	8
Georgetown Preparatory School. *Washington*	...	1
Georgetown University. *Washington*	...	1
Georgia Experiment Station	...	1
Glatfelter, N. M. *St. Louis*	1	...
Globe School Book Co. *Chicago*	7	...
Gloversville, *N. Y.* Free Library	...	2
Goldberg, H. *Boston*	1	...
Gould Directory Co. *St. Louis*	1	...
Grand Opera House. *St. Louis*	...	62
Grand Rapids, *Mich.* Public Library	...	1
Great Northern Railway	...	3
Green, B. E. *Dalton, Ga*	...	1
Green, S. S. *Worcester, Mass*	...	3
Greenword, J. M. *Kansas City, Mo*	...	1
Gregg, W. H. *St. Louis*	1	
Gregory, C. R. *Paris*	250	20
Gregory, L. M. *Los Angeles, Cal*	...	1
Gregory, W. A. *Paris*	4	...
Grosvenor Public Library. *Buffalo*	...	1
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children	...	1
Hambleton, *Mrs.* M. H. *Shelbyville, Ill*	2	...
Harmon, H. *Chicago*	...	1
Hartford Theological Seminary	...	2
Hartley House. *N. Y*	...	2
Hartwig-Kalley national missionary. *Indianapolis*	...	1
Harvard Lampoon	...	2
Harvard University. *Cambridge, Mass*	1	3
Haverford College...*Haverford, Pa*	...	2
Haverhill. Public Library	...	2
Havlins Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	70
Health Culture Co	...	1
Heath & Co. (D. C.) *Boston*	14	...
Heginbottom Free Library. *Ashton-Under-Lyne*	...	1
Helena. Public Library	...	4
Heller, O. *St. Louis*	...	1
Henneberry Co	1	...
Herthel, *Mrs. St. Louis*	22	114
Highland Park College, *Des Moines*	...	1
Hills, W. G...*St. Louis*	1	...
Histed, *Miss* J. *St. Louis*	5	...
Hitchcock, G. C. *St. Louis*	29	528
Homan, *Dr.* G. *St. Louis*	...	4
Hospital of Prot. Epis. Church in Diocese So. Ohio	...	1
Huguenot Society of South Carolina	...	1
Humane Literature Committee. *Providence, R. I.*	1	7
Idaho. Agric. Exp. Station	...	2
—— Free Library Commission	...	1
Illinois. Bur. of Labor Statistics	2	...
—— Factory Inspectors	1	...
—— Insurance Supt.	2	...

Illinois. Secretary of State	1	...
—— State Board of Agric	...	1
—— State Board of Pharmacy	2	...
—— State Fish Commission	1	...
—— State Historical Library	2	...
—— State Library	1	...
—— State Reformatory	1	...
Illinois Firemen's association)	...	2
Illinois State Bar association	1	...
Imperial Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	64
Independent Labor Party...*London*	...	5
Indian Rights Assoc. *Phil*	...	6
Indiana. Board of State Charities	...	2
—— Horticultural Soc	1	...
—— State Board of Health	...	2
—— State Library	...	1
International Assoc. for the Advancement of Science, Arts and Education, *N. Y*	...	10
International Museum. *St. Louis*	...	1
International Otological Congress	...	1
Iowa. Agricultural College	...	2
—— Bd. of Health	...	12
—— Dept. of Agriculture	1	...
—— Geol. Survey	1	...
—— Grand Lodge	1	3
—— Historical Dept	...	4
—— Labor Statistics Bureau	1	...
—— Masonic Library	...	1
—— Railroad Commissioner	1	...
—— State Normal School	...	1
Iowa State Fair	...	1
Italy. Dept. of Agric	...	13
—— Ministero di Agricoltura, Industria e Commercio	...	6
—— Treas. Dept	...	1
Jackson, E. T. *St. Louis*	8	...
James, E. J. *Chicago*	...	1
Japan. Imperial Library	...	1
Jersey City. Free Public Library	...	2
John Crerar Library...*Chicago*	...	1
John F. Slater Fund	...	1
Johns Hopkins Medical School. *Balt*	...	1
Johns Hopkins University. *Balt*	...	2
Jones, S. M. *Toledo, O*	1	...
Journal of mental pathology	...	1
Journal of surgical technology	...	1
Joy, *Hon.* C. F. *Washington*	22	1
K. C. S. Current Events	...	1
Kansas. State Agric. College	...	10
—— State Bd. of Agric	...	2
—— State Library	1	8
Kansas Academy of Science	1	...
Kansas City. Presbytery	1	...
—— Public Library	...	4
Karst, E. *St. Louis*	...	14
Kaviratna, A. C. *Calcutta, India*	...	2
Kemper Military School. *Booneville, Mo*	...	2
Kensington Hospital for Women	...	1
Kentucky. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	8
Kentucky Military Institute. *Lyndon, Ky*	...	1
Kerr (Chas. H.) & Co	...	6
Kershaw, J. M. *St. Louis*	...	1
King, *Gen.* H. C. *Brooklyn, N. Y*	...	1
Kloss, *Rev.* C. L. *Webster Groves, Mo*	...	1
Knopf, S. A. *N. Y*	...	1

Knox College. *Galesburg, Ill.*	...	3
Koncen, M. *St. Louis*	1	...
Konvalinka, J. G. *Long Island City, N. Y.*	...	3
Krug, *Miss* J. *St. Louis*	2	4
La Crosse. Bd. of Trade	...	1
Lake Mohonk Conference	...	1
Lamberton, *Mrs.* E. *New Orleans, La.*	156	108
Lauer, S. *Cleveland, O.*	2	...
Lawrence, *Mass.* Public Library	...	2
—— Water Board	...	1
Leeds. Free Public Libraries	...	1
Leland Stanford Junior Univ.	...	3
Lemp, F. W. *St. Louis*	...	138
Library Association of California	...	2
Library Record of Australia	...	1
Light of Truth Pub. Co. *Columbus, O.*	...	1
Lippincott (J. B.) and Co. *Phil.*	...	9
Lippman, M. J.	1	...
Litton, *Miss* A. *St. Louis*	53	1
Liverpool, *Eng.* Public Libraries, Museums and Art Galleries.	...	1
Los Angeles. Public Library	...	2
Louisiana. Adj. Gen.	3	1
——Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	4
—— Bd. of Agric.	...	12
Louisiana Purchase Exposition. *St. Louis*	...	29
Lyman, B. S. *Phil.*	...	4
Lynn, *Mass.* Public Library	...	1
McAnally, D. R. *St. Louis*	25	...
McGill University Library. *Montreal*	...	10
Magil, *Dr.* J. M. *Corsicana, Texas*	...	1
Maine. Agric. Exp. Station	...	17
—— Bd. of Agric.	5	...
—— Bur. of Indus. and Labor Statistics	1	...
Mallman, *Rev.* J. E. *Shelter Island, N. Y.*	1	...
Manchester, *Eng.* Public Free Libraries	...	6
Manchester, *N. H.* City Library	...	4
Manitoba, Historical and Scientific Soc. of	...	4
Martha Parsons Free Hospital for Children of St. Louis	...	1
Martin, J. *N. Y.*	...	1
Maryland. Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	4
—— Bur. of Industrial Statistics	1	...
—— Geol. Survey	1	...
Massachusetts. Agric. College. Hatch Exp. Sta. *Amherst*	...	6
—— Bd. of Education	1	...
—— Bd. of Prison Commrs.	1	...
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor	7	12
—— Charitable Eye and Ear Infirmary	...	2
—— Civil Service Commissioners	...	1
—— Civil Service Reform Auxiliary	...	6
—— Commr. of Inland Fisheries and Game	...	1
—— Commrs. of Saving Banks	2	...
—— Free Public Library Commrs.	...	9
—— Harbor and Land Commrs.	1	...
—— Insurance Commrs.	1	...
—— Public Reservations	...	1
—— Railroad Commrs.	2	...
—— Record Commrs.	...	1
—— Sec'y. of Commonwealth	2	...
—— St. Bd. of Agric.	1	...
—— St. Bd. of Arbitration	2	...
—— State Lunatic Asylum. *Worcester*	...	1
—— Treasurer and Receiver General	...	2
Massachusetts General Hospital. *Bost.*	...	2

Massachusetts Single Tax League...*Bost.*	...	2
Massachusetts Soc. for the Univ. Educ. of Women...*Lynn.*	...	16
Medical Brief	...	1
Medical Fortnightly	...	1
Mekeel, C. H.	...	3
Metropolitan Museum of Art. *N. Y.*	...	2
Mexico. Ministerio de Fomento	...	7
—— National Commission to Pan American Exposition at Buffalo, N. Y.	...	3
Michigan. Adjutant Gen.	1	...
—— Agric. College Exp. Sta.	...	12
—— Bur. of Labor and Indus. Statistics	2	...
—— State Bd. of Correction and Charities	1	2
—— State Bd. of Health	2	36
—— State Board of Library Commrs.	...	15
—— School for the Deaf	...	2
Miller, F. *St. Louis*	2	...
Milwaukee. Bd. of City Service Commissioners	...	1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
—— Health Commissioner	...	13
—— Public Library	...	1
Minneapolis. City Secretary	1	...
—— Park Commn'rs	...	1
—— Public Library	...	3
Minnesota. Geological and Nat. Hist. Survey	1	...
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commrs.	...	2
—— State Bd. of Charities	1	3
—— State Department	...	1
Missouri. Adjutant General	2	6
—— Geological survey	...	13
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commrs.	3	...
—— Secretary of State	3	...
—— State Horticultural Soc.	1	...
—— State Univ.	...	4
—— Supt. of Insurance Dept.	1	1
—— Botanical Garden	1	2
Missouri Branch Congregational Missionary Library	48	...
Missouri Valley College	...	3
Monnett, F. S. *Columbus, Ohio*	...	1
Montana. Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	15
—— Bd. of Education	...	1
—— Bd. of Stock Comm'rs	...	1
—— Bur. of Agric. Labor (*etc.*) *Helena*	1	...
—— State Library	...	39
—— Historical Library	...	3
Montclair, *N. J.* Free Public Library	...	1
Monticello Seminary. *Godfrey, Ill.*	...	1
Morse Co. *Chicago*	1	...
Mount Holyoke College. *South Hadley, Mass.*	...	1
Multitude. *N. Y.*	...	1
Murray, T. *Boston*	...	1
Musée Social. *Paris*	...	23
National Assoc. for the Promotion of Technical and Secondary Education. *London*	...	1
National Assoc. of Merchants and Travelers. *Chicago*	...	2
National Confectioners' Assoc. of the U. S.	...	1
National Consumers' League	...	1
National Educational Assoc.	...	4
National Elec. Light Assoc.	1	...
National League for the Protection of the Family. *Auburndale, Mass.*	...	8
National Municipal League	...	1
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children	...	1

Natural Science Assoc. of Staten Island	...	14
Nebraska. Bur. of Labor and Industrial Statistics	...	1
—— Dept. of Public Instruction	1	17
New Bedford. Free Public Library	...	14
New England Free Trade League	...	8
New England Society of Cincinnati	...	1
New England Society of Penn	...	1
New England Society of St. Louis	...	1
New Hampshire. Library Comm'n	1	5
—— State Library	2	...
New Hampshire College. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	8
New Hampshire Historical Soc	...	1
New Haven. Public Library	1	12
New Jersey. Adjutant General	...	2
—— Board of Education	1	...
—— Bur. of Statistics of Labor	...	1
—— Comm'r of Banking and Insurance	2	...
—— Geological Survey	1	...
—— Public Library Commission	...	1
—— Railroad and Canal Co.'s	1	...
—— State Bd. of Agric	1	...
—— St. Bd. of Assessors	1	...
—— State Weather Service	1	...
New London, *Conn.* Public Library	...	1
New Mexico. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	4
New Mexico Bar Association	...	1
New South Wales. Gov't. Statistician's Office	1	...
—— Inspector of Mines and Agric	1	...
—— Public Library	...	1
New Thought Pub. Soc	...	3
New York (*City*). Board of Education	2	2
—— Children's Aid Society	...	2
—— City History Club	...	1
—— Dept. of Street Cleaning	1	...
—— Free Circulating Library	...	3
—— Gen. Soc. of Mechanics and Tradesmen	...	1
—— Home for Incurables	...	1
—— Mercantile Library	...	3
—— Merchant's Assoc	...	2
—— Public Library	1	9
—— Trinity Church	1	...
—— Univ. Settlement Soc	...	1
—— Young Men's Hebrew Assoc	...	1
New York (*State*). Agric. Exp. Station	...	19
—— Bd. of Railroad Commrs	2	...
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	3	4
—— Charities Aid Association	...	3
—— Dep't of Public Instruction	...	1
—— Library	11	74
—— University	...	2
New York Civil Service Reform Assoc	...	1
New York Commercial	...	2
New York Evening Post	2	...
New York Farmers	...	1
New York Hospital	...	1
New York Juvenile Asylum	...	1
New York Society Library	...	1
New York State Bar Assoc	2	...
New York State College of Forestry. *Cornell Univ*	...	4
New York University	...	1
Newark, *N. J.* Bd. of Educ	...	1
—— Free Public Library	...	17
Newberry Library. *Chicago*	...	1

Newburg, *N. Y.* Bd. of Education	...	1
Newcastle-upon-Tyne, *Eng.* Public Library Com	...	1
Newfoundland. Colonial Secretary's Office	1	...
Newton, *Mass.* Free Library	...	4
Noble, J. W. St. Louis	92	21
North Carolina. Bur. of Labor Statistics	2	...
North Dakota. Agric. College. Exp. Sta	...	2
—— Railroad Comm'r	1	2
—— State Bd. of Agric	...	2
—— Weather Service	...	1
Northampton, *Mass.* Public Library	...	2
Northwestern University, *Chicago, Ill*	...	1
—— Medical School	...	5
Norway. Official Statistics	...	3
—— University Library. *Christiania*	1	...
Oberlin College	...	5
Obstetrical Society of Boston	...	1
Ohio. Adjutant General	1	2
—— Agric. Exp. Sta	...	6
—— Bd. of State Charities	...	4
—— Dairy and Food Comm'r	2	...
—— Dep't of Inspection	1	...
—— Inspector of Mines	...	3
—— Labor Statistics Bur	1	...
—— State Library	...	3
Oklahoma. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	3
Olympic Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	68
Omaha. Public Library	...	13
Ontario. Bur. of Mines	...	1
—— Dep't of Agric	3	2
—— Minister of Education	...	1
Open Court Pub. Co	11	...
Oregon. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	4
Oshkosh, *Wis.* Public Library	...	1
Osterhout Free Library	...	14
Otis Library, *Norwich, Conn*	...	19
Ottawa, *Canada*...Children's Aid Soc	...	1
Park College. *Parkville, Mo*	...	1
Parker, H. W. *N. Y*	...	1
Pasadena, *Cal.* Public Library	...	3
Paterson, *N. J.* Free Public Library	...	1
Patterson, *Miss* E. *St. Louis*	29	10
Pattison, E. W. *St. Louis*	...	1
Peabody Institute. *Balt*	...	2
Peabody Institute. *Danvers, Mass*	...	1
Peace Assoc. of Friends. *Phil*	...	1
Pearce, *Hon* C. E. *St. Louis*	68	...
Pediatrics	...	1
Pennsylvania. Bur. of Mines	1	...
—— Factory Inspector	1	...
—— Forestry Division	...	2
—— State Bd. of Health and Vital Statistics	2	...
—— State College. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	3
—— State Library	31	...
Pennsylvania Bar Assoc	1	...
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery	...	1
Pennsylvania Prison Soc. *Phil*	...	1
Pennsylvania Railroad Co. *Phil*	...	1
Peoria, *Ill.* Public Library	...	1
Perkins Institute for the Blind. *Boston*	...	1
Perry, *Miss* M	...	9
Perry School of Oratory and Dramatic Art. *St. Louis*	...	1
Peterson, *Dr.* C. A. *St. Louis*	...	1

Phelps, E. B. *N. Y.*	1	...
Philadelphia. Bd. of Pub. Education	...	4
—— Bureau of Water	...	1
—— City Comptroller	3	...
—— City Institute Library	...	1
—— Civic Club	...	1
—— Dep't of the Mayor	3	...
—— Free Library	...	5
—— Jewish Foster Home	.	1
—— Mercantile Library	...	12
—— Municipal League	...	2
Philadelphia and Reading R. R	...	1
Philadelphia College of Pharmacy	...	1
Philadelphia Commercial Museum	...	2
Philadelphia Library Co	...	2
Philadelphia Times	...	1
Philadelphia Zoological Society	...	2
Philippine Information Soc	...	19
Phillips, *Miss* H. M	...	18
Philosophical Society of Washington	1	10
Pi Beta Phi Fraternity	...	1
Pittsburg. Carnegie Library	...	20
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
Portland, *Me.* Public Library	...	13
Portland, *Oregon.* Library Assoc	...	24
Portsmouth, Eng. Public Libraries	...	1
Pratt Institute	...	8
Princeton University, *Princeton, N. J*	1	2
Providence. Public Library	...	2
Providence Athenaeum	...	1
Providence Library	...	24
Purdue University. *LaFayette, Ind*	...	1
—— Agric. Exper. Sta	...	5
Purdy, L. *N. Y*	1	19
Quincy, *Ill.* Free Public Library	...	1
Redwood Library. *Newport, R. I*	...	1
Reedy, W. M. *St. Louis*	...	9
Reynolds Library. *Rochester, N. Y*	...	1
Rhode Island. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	6
—— Comm'r of Public Schools	1	...
—— Insurance Comm'r	3	...
—— Railroad Comm'rs	1	...
—— State Bd. of Agriculture	1	...
Richeson, *Col.* T. *St. Louis*	1	2
Riley, *Dr.* C. M. *St. Louis*	1	...
Robbins, E. C. *St. Louis*	28	...
Robyn, W. L. *St. Louis*	13	...
Rochester Academy of Science	...	1
Rockford, *Ill.* Public Library	...	1
Rosengarten, J. G. *Phil*	1	...
Russell, *Mrs.* J. H	1	...
Russell, *Hon.* J. J. *Charleston, Mo*	...	1
Russell, *Mrs.* S. B. *St. Louis*	31	...
St. Bartholomew's Parish. *New York*	1	...
St. George's Church. *N. Y*	...	1
St. Ignatius College. *Chicago*	...	1
St. Louis. Auditor	27	...
—— Bd. of Education	1	1
—— Christian Brothers' College	...	1
—— City Council	1	...
—— City Lighting Dep't	1	...
—— City Register	355	...
—— Commonwealth Pub. Co	...	6

——Comptroller	10	77
—— Health Dep't	2	9
—— Mercantile Library	...	1
—— Merchants' Exchange	1	...
—— Park Commissioner	11	5
—— Pioneers	...	3
—— Police Dept	7	30
—— Tower Grove Park	...	1
—— Tuesday Literary Club	...	3
—— Twentieth Century Art Club	...	2
—— Water Comm'nrs	...	40
—— Watt's Chapel Social Settlement	...	2
—— Wednesday Club	...	4
—— Women's Christian Assoc	...	1
St. Louis Academy of Science	...	19
St. Louis Choral Symphony Soc. *St. Louis*	...	17
St. Louis Medical Society	...	536
St. Louis Mullanphy Hospital	...	1
St. Louis News Co	...	1
St. Louis Provident Assoc	...	1
St. Louis Social Settlement League	56	...
St. Paul. Public Library	...	2
—— Woman's Civic League	...	1
Salem. Public Library	...	14
Sampson, F. A. *Sedalia, Mo*	1	...
Samuel, B. *Phil*	1	...
San Francisco. Bd. of Supervisors	1	...
—— Mechanics' Inst	...	14
—— Public Library	...	10
School Science. *Chicago*	...	1
Schuyler, W. *St. Louis*	1	...
Schwaggi, L. *St. Louis*	1	...
Scranton, *Pa.* Public Library	...	1
Scribner's Sons (Charles)	1	...
Scruggs, Vandervoort & Barney D. G. Co. *St. Louis*	1	...
Sedalia, *Mo.* Public Library	...	2
Shakespeare Memorial Library. *Stratford, Eng*	...	1
Shoreditch, *Co. of London.* Public Library	...	1
Short, *Rev.* W. *St. Louis*	1	1
Shurtleff College. *Upper Alton, Ill*	...	3
Side lights on advertising. *Hilo, Hawaii*	...	1
Silk Assoc. of America. *N. Y*	...	1
Simmons Hardware Co. *St. Louis*	...	3
Smith, D. T. *Louisville, Ky*	1	...
Smith, W. G. *Phil*	1	...
Smith, W. F. *Phil*	1	...
Smith Academy, Washington University. *St. Louis*	...	1
Smith College, *Northahmpton, Mass*	...	1
Snoddy, J. S. *Valley City, N. Dak*	...	1
Socialist Spirit. *Chicago*	...	2
Society for the Projagation of the Faith and Christian Missions. *Balt*	...	1
Society of the Army of the Tenn	1	...
Society of the Army of the Tenn	...	...
Somerville, *Mass.* Public Library	...	4
Sons of the American Revolution. Mass. Soc	1	...
South Carolina. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	8
South Dakota. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	4
—— Comm'r of Insurance	1	1
Southern Lumber Mfr's Assoc. *St. Louis*	1	...
Southwell Opera Co. *St. Louis*	...	6
Speck, *Mrs.* L. C. *St. Louis*	...	1
Springfield, *Ill.* Public Library	...	1

Springfield, *Mass.* City Library	...	52
Standard Theatre. *St. Louis*	...	68
Stechert, G. E. *N. Y*	1	...
Stevens, W. J. *St. Louis*	9	17
Stevens Inst. of Technology. *Hoboken, N. J*	...	1
Stoddart, T. A. *St. Louis*	...	11
Stone, *Mrs.* C. H. *St. Louis*	1	...
Sturtevant Co. (B. F.) *Bost*	...	2
Sunset Club. *Chicago*	1	4
Swan, C. H., *Jr*	1	...
Tacoma. Public Library	...	2
Taunton, *Mass.* Public Library	...	1
Taylor, W. B. A. *St. Louis*	2	1
Teller, *Hon.* H. M. *Wash*	...	1
Texas. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	1
Thayer, *Hon.* A. M	80	...
Toronto. Public Library	...	1
Townsend, T. D. *St. Louis*	...	2
Tracy, *Miss* B. *St. Louis*	1	...
Tree planting Assoc. of N. Y. City	...	4
Tulane University of Louisiana. *New Orleans*	...	1
Ulrici, E. *St. Louis*	...	1
U. S. Bur. of American Republics	...	12
—— Bur. of Education	2	10
—— Bur. of Rolls and Library	...	1
—— Census Office	1	91
—— Civil Service Commission	8	3
—— Dep't of Agriculture	...	219
—— Dept. of Interior	1	28
—— Geographic Names Board	...	1
—— Government Board Tenn. Centennial Exposition	1	...
—— Industrial Commission	...	19
—— Interstate Commerce Commission	1	1
—— Labor Dep't	1	15
—— Land Office	2	2
—— Library of Congress	7	9
—— Marine Hospital Service	...	2
—— Mississippi River Commn	...	1
—— Navy Dep't	1	5
—— Philippine Commission	2	...
—— Post Office Dep't	...	3
—— Smithshonian Institution	6	33
—— State Dep't	1	21
—— Supt. of Documents	128	153
—— Treasury Dep't	3	70
—— Vicksburg National Military Park Commission	...	1
—— War Dep't	14	48
University of Arizona. *Tucson*	...	2
—— Agric. Exp. Sta	...	2
University of California	...	1
—— Agric. Exp. Sta	...	7
University of Chicago	...	2
University of Idaho	...	1
—— Agri. Exp. Sta	...	4
University of Illinois. Agri. Exp. Sta	1	15
University of Iowa	...	2
University of Michigan	...	2
University of Minnesota. Agri. Exp. Sta	...	6
—— Library	...	1
University of Missouri	...	11
University of Pennsylvania. *Phil*	...	4
—— Museum of Science and Art	...	3
University of Tennessee. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	5
University of Tennessee Record	1	...
University of Vermont	...	1

—— Agric. Exp. Sta	...	3
University of Virginia	...	5
University of Wisconsin	...	8
University of Wyoming. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	4
Uruguay. Bur. d'Echanges Internationaux des Publication	...	1
Utah. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	2
Van Blarcom, *Mrs.* J. C. *St. Louis*	6	...
Van Marken, J. C. *Delft, Holland*	1	...
Vassar College. Poughkeepsie	...	1
Vermont. Agric. Exp. Sta	2	3
—— Dairyman's Assoc	...	1
—— St. Bd. of Agric	...	1
Vest, *Hon.* G. G. *Washington*	4	...
Victoria, *Australia.* Premier	...	1
—— Public Library Museums	...	13
—— Secretary for Mines	1	...
Virginia State Bar Assoc	1	...
Von Schrenk, H. *St. Louis*	...	1
Von Phul, B. *St. Louis*	1	...
Wabash R. R. Co	...	2
Wagner, H. *Denver*	3	...
Wagner, *Miss* S. *St. Louis*	...	3
Waltham, *Mass.* Public Library	...	1
Wandell, H. B. *St. Louis*	6	...
Warner and Swasey. *Cleveland*	1	...
Warner County Library Bulletin	...	2
Washington. Factory Inspector	...	1
Washington Heights Free Library	...	1
Washington University Assoc	...	1
Watch Tower Bible and Tract Soc	...	2
Watertown, *Mass.* Free Public Library	...	1
Way, W. I. *Chicago*	...	1
Webster Groves. Monday Club	...	3
Weekly Sun. *Toronto*	...	1
Weeks, E. R. *Kansas City, Mo*	...	1
Wellesley College	...	1
Wentworth Military Academy. *Lexington, Mo*	...	1
Wesleyan Univ. *Middletown, Conn*	...	2
West Virginia. Agric. Exp. Sta	...	5
Western Reserve Historical Soc. *Cleveland*	...	1
Western Military Academy. *Upper Alton, Ill*	...	2
Westminster, *Eng.* Public Libraries	...	1
Wiley and Sons (John). *N. Y*	...	5
Williams, *Rev.* M. C. *St. Louis*	1	...
Williams, W. H. *East Liverpool, O*	1	...
Wilmington Institute	...	1
Winestone, E. *St. Louis*	2	3
Wisconsin. Commissioners of Fisheries	...	1
—— Free Library Com	...	21
Wisconsin. Historical Society	1	5
—— St. Bd. of Control	...	1
—— State Bd. of Health	1	...
Wolverhampton, *Eng.* Free Library	...	1
Woman's Education Assoc	...	2
Woman's Hospital in the State of N. Y	...	1
Women's Industrial Council	...	1
Women's Industrial News. *London*	...	2
Woman's Medical College of Baltimore	...	1
Worcester. Free Public Library	...	24
Worcester County Law Library	...	1
Worcester Polytechnic Institute	...	1
Yale University	3	3
Yearly meeting of Friends	...	1
Y. M. C. A of North America	...	4
Y. M. C. A. of St. Louis	1	...
Youth's Realm	...	1



DELIVERY STATIONS.

No.	Location.	Proprietor.	Delivery Days
1	Garrison and Easton Aves.	W. B. Pilkington	Daily.
2	Grand and St. Louis Aves.	C. Glaub	Daily
3	Grand Ave. & Nat. Bridge Rd.	A. J. Beeney	Mon. & Thurs.
4	Newstead and St. Louis Aves.	A. Ludwig	Daily
5	E. Grand Ave. and 20th St.	Theo. H. Wurdig	Mon. & Thurs.
6	3675 N. Broadway	Waldeck Bros.	Daily.
7	15th and Chambers Sts.	A. W. Peterson	Daily.
8	Gravois Ave. and Arsenal St.	B. Jost	Daily
9	Bates St. and Virginia Ave.	Bates St. Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
10	17th Park Ave.	Wm. C. Bolm	Daily
11	Michigan Ave. and Kansas St.	Schneider's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
12	Menard and Barton Sts.	Alf. J. Wittmann	Wed. & Sat.
13	7035 S. Broadway	Hermann Bros.	Tues. & Fri.
14	Pestalozzi and Salena Sts.	Kaltwasser Drug Co.	Daily
15	Meramec St. & Virginia Ave.	R. C. Reilly	Tues. & Fri
16	Tower Grove & Manchest. Ave.	Chas. Lehmann	Daily
17	910 N. Sarah St.	Henry Garthoffner	Daily.
18	Calvanne Arcade	H. C. Unger	Daily.
19	Semple and Easton Aves.	E. A. Bagnino	Daily
20	Marcus and Easton Aves.	H. M. Tomm	Daily
21	Euclid Ave. & Delmar Bl.	Wm. K. Uhardt	Daily.
22	Grand and Finney Aves.	F. C. Garthoffner	Daily.
23	Broadway and Keokuk St.	H. S. Vitt	Daily.
24	Park and Compton Aves.	F. V. Fischer	Daily.
25	Lafayette and California Aves.	F. C. Meyer	Daily.
26	Choteau and California Aves.	Rodemich Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
27	Grand Ave. and Pine St.	J. Reynolds	Daily.
28	Grand and Grayois Aves.	Dilg's Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
29	23rd and Dodier Sts.	J. Tonis	Daily.
30	Lafayette and Cass Aves.	J. W. Wissmann	Daily
31	Grand and Shenandoah Aves.	Wm. P. Ulmer	Daily.
32	Biggs and Laclede Aves.	Geo. R. Smith	Tues. & Fri.
33	Goode and Easton Aves.	J. A. Gullman	Daily.
34	12th St. and Chouteau Ave.	P. Angermeier	Daily.
35	Merramford Rd. & Semian Ave.	P. A. Schwentker	Mon. & Thur.
36	4603 Natural Bridge Rd.	Mrs. L. H. Miller	Tues. & Fri.
37	Broadway and Barton St.	Cocin Drug Co.	Wed. & Sat.
38	17th St. and Geyer Ave.	Jos. Kurka	Mon. & Thur.
39	Westmoreland Drug Store	Leo. Rauhersfeldt	Tues. & Fri.
40	Manchester and Kroff Aves.	Benton Drug Store	Wed. & Sat.
41	2621 Gamble St.	Phillibert's Pharmacy	Wed. & Sat.
42	Jefferson & Washington Aves.	Louis Lehmann	Tues. & Fri.
43	1656 St. Louis Ave.	Mary Todias	Wed. & Sat.
44	Broadway and Marion St.	S. Broadway Pharm.	Wed. & Sat.
45	25th St. and Hebron Ave.	Wellmeyer's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
46	Shenandoah & Jefferson Aves.	Thos. Hickman	Mon. & Thur.
47	Academy and Suburban Aves.	Raymond Pl. Pharm.	Daily.
48	20th and Wright Sts.	Otto H. Westhaus	Wed. & Sat.
49	Olive and Whittier Sts.	Marion Pharmacy	Wed. & Sat.
50	4145 Prairie Ave.	Hill's Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
51	Compton and Lawton Aves.	Lawton Pharmacy	Mon. & Thur.
52	7th St. and Cass Ave.	Neidhammer Memorial	Tues. & Fri.
53	N. Market St. & Vandeventer.	Murmann's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
54	Natalie St. and Chouteau Ave.	Gray's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
55	19th and Penrose Sts.	Bachmeier's Pharm.	Mon. & Thur.
56	Jefferson Ave. and N. Market.	Koch's Pharmacy	Wed. & Sat.
57	Lansdowne Ave. and Morgan.	Depperle Pharmacy	Wed. & Sat.
58	Vandeventer and Laclede Aves.	Schulz's Pharmacy	Tues. & Fri.
59	Olive and Grand Aves.	Love's Pharmacy	Wed. & Sat.
	13th and Hebert Sts.	Adams School	Wed. & Thurs.
	Garrison and St. Louis Aves.	Columbia School	Tues. & Fri.

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Florence Patton	Junior Clerk, Record Department.
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Daisy LaGrave,	Ethel Owen,
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John Palmer,	Harry McCamey.
William Harvey,	William Moore.

ANNUAL REPORT

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St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

ST. LOUIS, MO., February 10, 1904.

Hon. Rolla Wells,
Mayor of the City of St. Louis, Mo.

SIR:

I have the honor to transmit herewith the report of the Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, showing the operations and finances of the Library for the year ending April 30th, 1903.

Respectfully yours,

F. W. LEHMANN,
President of the Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:—

I beg leave to present herewith my tenth annual report as Librarian of the Free Public Library, for the year ending April 30, 1903.

The most notable event of the year was the fulfilment of the second condition of Mr. Carnegie's gift, the securing of a site for the central Carnegie building. It was on May 7, 1902, at the very outset of the year, that the property of the old Exposition was sold under a bondholders' deed of trust and purchased by the Board of Directors for $280,000. This sum was the total amount of the bonds and accrued interest and the floating debt of the Exposition Company. The bulk of this money was subscribed individually by the Directors of the St. Louis Union Trust Company. As, under the ordinance, the site could not be used till after the close of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, it was arranged that the subscriptions should be paid in installments covering two years. The St. Louis Union Trust Company, however, advanced the whole purchase price in cash, taking the notes of the Library, with the individual subscriptions of the Company's own Directors as additional se-

curity. By the terms of the agreement with the Trust Company, any income to be obtained from the Exposition property was to belong to the Library. The property was leased to the Coliseum Amusement Company on satisfactory terms, for two years, from December 1, 1902 to December 1, 1904, when the ordinance allows the demolition of the buildings in preparation for the new library structure.

By anticipating, out of its revenue, payments on this loan the Board cleared off the debt on April 1, 1903, and obtained a release of the deed of trust. As soon as this was accomplished, a copy of the deed of release and other proofs of the Library's title to the Exposition property were sent to Mr. Carnegie in Scotland. This was on May 14th. In reply Mr. Carnegie sent the following:—

SKIBO CASTLE, ARDGAY, N. B.
8th June, 1903.

F. M. Crunden, Esq.,
Librarian, Public Library,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:—

I am delighted to receive yours of the 14th, showing that St. Louis has done her part, also that my dear friend, Mr. Barr, has been good enough to present a lot for one of the Branch Libraries. He is a fellow Scot, and a "wee drap bluid atween us" goes far, as you know, among Scotchmen.

Permit me to express my approval of all that you have done, including the purchase of the Old Exposition Assets. All is well and highly approved.

My Cashier, Mr. R. A. Franks, Home Trust Co., Hoboken, N. J., has been instructed to honor calls made by the proper authorities from time to time to meet expenditures upon the buildings.

Very truly yours,
(signed) ANDREW CARNEGIE.

Previously, on receipt of information that the Exposition property had been secured as a site for the Central Library, Mr. Carnegie had written as follows:—

SKIBO CASTLE, ARDGAY, N. B.

F. M. Crunden, Esq.,
Librarian, St. Louis.

Dear Sir:—

Yours of 22 May received. Mr. Carnegie sends his hearty congratulations and says he has great satisfaction in thinking of St. Louis and his gift to it.

Very respectfully yours,
JAMES BERTRAM,
Private Sec'y.

On April 14, 1903, Mr. Wm. Barr, the first of our citizens to offer a site for a branch library, gave the Board a deed to a most eligible lot situated on the southwest corner of Lafayette and Jefferson Avenues. Several other pieces of ground have been offered in other parts of the city; but, thus far, this is the only site formally accepted. Though their practical significance is for the future, these are the most important events of the year. By way of completing this brief review of the larger financial affairs of the Board, I may add that this fall, some months after the close of the fiscal year reported on, the Board was able to pay $100,000 on the debt due on Block 510, (Olive and Locust, 17th and 18th Streets), thereby reducing the interest to a sum which is more than covered by the rental of the property.

A full statement of the financial transactions of the year is given in the following table:—

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 13, 1903.

DR.

To balance in City Treasury, April 7, 1902		$ 66,221 01	
Collections, April 9, 1902—April 13, 1903		166,554 50	
			$232,775 51
Balance in Bank Fund, April, 1902			14,441 90
Balance in Contingent Fund			137 46
Collection of Duplicates,			
Books issued	$2,196 60		
Magazines sold	51 10		
		2,247 70	
Fines		3,444 59	
Books lost and paid for		319 17	
Catalogues		13 90	
Lost cards		223 50	
Postals		35 06	
Miscellaneous		18 95	
			6,302 87
Rent Collections			12,286 71
Interest			400 48
Exposition Site, Rent, Subscriptions, etc			76,443 69
Refund, William Baggot			226 31
			$343,014 93

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By Salaries		29,306 46
Books, Main collection	15,200 41	
Coll. of Duplicates	986 87	
Binding	5,828 64	
Periodicals	894 23	
Periodicals, Coll. of Duplicates	276 81	
		23,186 96
Real Estate, City Block 510, interest and principal notes, etc	28,795 91	
Rent	7,500 00	
Insurance	510 75	
Furniture and repairs	2,236 93	
		39,043 59
Expense.		
Printing and Stationery	2,407 02	
Delivery Stations	3,061 94	
Postage	323 93	
Sundries	474 59	
Supplies	251 29	
Advertising	2 05	
		6,520 82
Exposition Site		217,405 33
Total Expenditures		315,463 16
Balance in City Treasury, April 13, 1903		18,909 09
Balance in Bank Fund		8,549 66
Balance in Contingent Fund		93 02
		$343,014 93

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894 to APRIL, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

	Exposition Site	City Collections	Desk Receipts	Rent	Insurance	Misc.	Total
1894		$ 49,773 52	113 66				49,887 18
1895		59,035 80	2,593 26			3 41	61,632 47
1896		61,929 51	3,649 98	482 79		87 96	66,150 24
1897		64,663 32	3,741 31	1,879 56		187 72	70,471 91
1898		67,638 45	3,839 86	1,480 00		424 81	73,383 12
1899		71,340 13	3,901 72	12,328 55	39,742 72	476 24	127,789 36
1900		73,781 47	4,392 48	12,945 50		51 98	91,171 43
1901		75 727 18	5,095 81	13 501 46		398 23	94,722 68
1902		149,321 24	5,852 79	11 649 13		204 75	167,027 91
1903	$76,443 69	166,554 50	6,302 87	12,286 71		626 79	262,214 56
Total	$76,443 69	839,765 12	39,483 74	66,553 70	39,742 72	2,461 89	1,064,450 86

EXPENDITURES.

	Exposition Site	Maintenance	Real Estate		Total
1894		$ 2,876 19			$ 2,876 19
1895		43,305 69			43,305 69
1896		52,318 45	40,900 00		93,218 45
1897		48.738 69	24,872 58		73,611 27
1898		58,051 90	29,972 00		88,023 90
1899		55.811 21	88,347 95		144.159 16
1900		45,789 48	36.973 36		82,762 84
1901		53,687 33	35,366 34		89,053 67
1902		67.623 32	36,801 44		104,424 76
1903	$217,405 33	69,261 92	28.795 91		315,463 16
Total	$ 217,405 33	497,464 18	322,029 58		1,036,899 09

Balance in City Treasury April 13, 1903	$ 18,909 09
Balance in Bank Fund	8,549 66
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1903	93 02
	$1,064,450 86

The desk receipts show a gradual increase from year to year, keeping about equal pace with the growth of the circulation. The total of this year exceeds that of the previous year by $450.08. The increase comes from the two chief sources of desk revenue, fines and the issue of extra volumes from the Collection of Duplicates,—$426.47 from the former and $132.15 from the latter. There was a desirable, though slight, decrease in the sums received for lost books and lost cards. The principal items under Printing and Stationery are the printing of the annual report for the last year and three previous reports, which the former city administration failed to publish.

Rent from the Exposition property amounted to $16,023.47, to which was added an insurance rebate of $135.64 and a refund of $16.94, the balance of a deposit in the water-meter department of the city. Against these receipts stand the following expenditures: salaries, $2,921.08; insurance, $4,354.00; repairs, (roof) $3,420.65; special taxes, $96.79; miscellaneous, $164.04. On the loan for the purchase of the Exposition property $206,448.77 was paid, of which $76,443.69 came from subscriptions and the rent of the property, together with some small incidental items.

Grouping together all items coming under that head, it appears that the total expenditure for the maintenance and growth of the Library, was $69,261.92. The rest of the total expendi-

ture of $315,463.16 consisted of payments (principal and interest) on real estate investments, the Exposition property and city block 510 (17th and 18th, Olive and Locust Streets.) Of the maintenance fund more than a third, $23,186.96, was devoted to keeping up the supply of reading matter; $16,187.28 for books, $1,171.04 for periodicals, and $5,828.64 for binding. The principal items under the furniture and repair account were the painting of the rooms and the purchase of card cabinets.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

The further statistics that constitute the body of the report and show the operations of the year may thus be briefly summarized:—

The collection was increased by the addition of 16,320 volumes catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for use. Of these, 1,183* were gifts. The total included 1,499 German books, 90 French and 130 in other foreign languages.

The total list of donations and exchanges for the year numbered 1,325* volumes and 6,059 pamphlets. The collection, at the close of the year covered by this report, had about 165,000 volumes and about 30,000 pamphlets.

The registered card-holders numbered 58,961 persons, of whom 26,702 were under seventeen years of age. The record of the registration by wards is given later in the report.

The issue of books for home reading was 902,768: that for the previous year was 778,507. The total issue of books and periodicals was 1,237,892, a gain of 155,261 over the previous year.

REGISTRATION.

During the year 14,618 names were registered and 4,710 re-registered. The total number of card-holders on April 30, 1903, was 58,961. There were also 1,249 "extra" (non-fiction) cards and 157 "teachers'" cards issued: 18,245 cards that had been filled were replaced by new ones, and 1,491 were lost and paid for. The fee of ten cents collected in these latter cases pays for the stationery and clerical service. Guarantors to the number of 112 withdrew, or their guaranties were cancelled for various reasons. Incidental to keeping the registration correct and up-to-date was the changing of 4,063 addresses. The work of the department occupied the time of two assistants all the year round and half the time of a third during the busier months.

*The discrepancy between these two numbers is explained by the fact that some of the books given towards the last of one year are not catalogued till the next year, and by the additional fact that many gifts prove to be duplicates and may not be catalogued at all.

Total cards in force, April 30, 1902	54,701	
Registered May 1, 1902—April 30, 1903	14,618	
		69,319
Cards expiring to April 30, 1903	15,068	
Less re-registered	4,710	10,358
		58,961
Total cards in force April 30, 1903		
Men	15,107	
Women	17,090	
Children	26,702	
Institutions	62	
		58,961

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1903.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	530	11	411	21	638
2	762	12	303	22	1091
3	711	13	879	23	237
4	376	14	327	24	985
5	206	15	448	25	1176
6	606	16	765	26	1068
7	414	17	1144	27	724
8	635	18	491	28	1321
9	992	19	488	Suburban	267
10	1117	20	216	Total,	19,328

TOTAL REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	1382	11	1526	21	1880
2	2029	12	1023	22	2910
3	2578	13	2413	23	1059
4	1074	14	1047	24	3202
5	895	15	1342	25	3856
6	1901	16	2127	26	3663
7	1310	17	2508	27	2218
8	1788	18	1316	28	4020
9	2558	19	1853	Suburban	574
10	3255	20	1654	Total,	58,961

CATALOGUE AND ORDER DEPARTMENT.

The year just prior to this was distinguished by the purchase and the cataloguing of the greatest number of volumes ever added to the collection in any one year. The additions for that year numbered 23,855 volumes. This year they amounted to 16,320 volumes catalogued and made ready for use. But the lessened number of books bought and catalogued gave opportunity for the accomplishment of other work equally important. The English Fiction Catalogue was published and copy prepared for the German Fiction Catalogue, which appeared soon after the close of the year. It may be

worth while to mention that the English catalogue, an octavo volume of 280 pages, of fair make-up, cost the Library nothing for the printing, that being done for the advertising privilege.

Typewritten, annotated lists of additions were prepared monthly and hung on the bulletin boards in the circulation and reference departments until the close of the year 1902, when the written lists were discontinued and the matter saved for the contemplated monthly Bulletin, two numbers of which (April and May) appeared before the close of the library year. The Bulletin is to be included among the credits of the year. The measure of its usefulness still remains to be ascertained. There has always been (and I presume it is the same in other libraries) an urgent, seemingly extensive, demand for printed catalogues and lists of new books; but when they are supplied, their existence seems to destroy, or at least greatly diminish, the desire for them. The explanation is, I suppose, that the demand is not so general as it seems. At any rate, when monthly lists of new books, with topical reading lists added, are furnished free, those who care for them are few compared with the total of 60,000 card holders. But to supply the wants of a few thousand of the more judicious readers is doubtless worth the cost of the Bulletin.

28,400 cards were added to the various catalogues. Of this number 1,393 were printed cards obtained from the Library of Congress, the Library Bureau, and from the Publishers' Weekly entries. The majority of these printed cards were inserted in the official catalogue. In future they will probably be more evenly divided among the various catalogues, as the Library now subscribes for three copies of each card of a selected list of Library of Congress cards, instead of one copy for each new copyrighted book as formerly.

A few cards were written for the subject-index, but up to the close of the year none had been put into the catalogues. It is hoped to insert these during the current year and to push this work more vigorously.

The copying of the shelf-list of fiction from sheets to standard size cards, was begun five years ago and completed last year. This work occupied the time of one assistant when she could be spared from more pressing demands. During the past year the new shelf-list of juveniles was completed, and also the circulating books in classes *1—29m* inclusive. For the latter the small standard card is used, as it effects a saving in space.

During stock-taking very little cataloguing could be done, as most of the cataloguing staff, with a smaller number from the circulation department, were engaged in that work. Advantage was taken of this opportunity to print class numbers back of title-pages in books which were added in the early days of the Library, and which had these numbers on the book pockets only. This will prove a great convenience when the cover or pocket happens to be lost; and at all times it will serve as a means of checking mistakes made in rewriting pockets. 12,239 numbers were so added.

Some measure of relief from the crowded condition of the cataloguing room was secured by taking down several sections of the stack in the public document room, in this way making space enough to place four desks and two card cabinets. This division of the cataloguing force is, of course, disadvantageous; but there was no way to avoid it. The growth of our own catalogue, with nearly 30,000 cards added this year, makes a considerable demand for space; but in addition to this, we shall receive from forty to fifty thousand cards yearly for our copy of the catalogue of the Library of Congress. Thus far we have had to find space for two double tray cabinets, of 24 drawers each, for the filing of these cards. The present inconvenience caused by lack of space is not, however, to be considered in comparison with the great value of the catalogue. When complete, it will enable a resident of St. Louis to ascertain readily whether a given book is contained in the National Library.

The additions for the year, divided by classes, language and source, are given in the following table:

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30th, 1903.

Classes.	Reg. Library	Coll. of Duplicates	Totals
Philosophy	62		62
Theology	370		370
Social science	970	1	971
Natural science	1,015		1,015
Art and poetry	597	3	600
Fiction	4,275	1,066	5,341
Juvenile literature	6,161		6,161
Literary miscellany	458	4	462
Travels and history	960		960
Cyclopaedias and periodicals	378		378
	15,246	1,074	16,320

Source.			
Purchase	13,540	1,074	14,614
Gift	1,183		1,183
Pamphlets, bound	67		67
Periodicals, bound	456		456
	15,246	1,074	16,320
Language.			
English	13,527	1,074	14,601
French	90		90
German	1,499		1,499
Other	130		130
	15,246	1,074	16,320

Periodicals to complete sets, 519.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Withdrawn		5,840
Lost and paid for		215
Lost at schools		68
Lost at Watts Chapel		8
Lost at Social Settlement		240
Lost at High School		5
Sold, burned (on account of contagious diseases), stolen and found in sewer, etc.		32
Charged to borrowers and not returned		32
Total		6,440
Total additions	16,320	
Less above	6,440	
Net increase	9,880	

Of the 5,840 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 3,096 were replaced by new copies, as were also 26 volumes out of 215 lost and paid for, and 2 volumes out of the 32 burned and otherwise destroyed.

The 1,074 volumes added to the Collection of Duplicates cost the Library nothing, but were a source of net revenue, besides preventing much friction and dissatisfaction among numerous card-holders, who without this collection, could not have been supplied with the new books they wanted. This collection, as more fully explained in previous reports, is made up of duplicate copies of popular new books, which are issued on payment of 5 cents per week. Of late years the plan has been adopted by many other libraries in the country.

The addition of nearly 1,500 volumes of German books is worthy of special comment. The year's increment is quite a little library in itself; and it is a very substantial addition to a collection which already contained some 10,000 volumes. This department has been examined from time to time and approved by a number of our cultivated German citizens, among whom, I may specially mention the late Isidor Bush and George Rothamel. Each examination led to the recommendation and purchase of desirable books. The collection was therefore already well-stocked with the standards of German literature and contained also a fair representation of more modern authors; when Professor Otto Heller, of Washington University, kindly undertook to bring it up to date by recommending many hundreds of titles of the best books published during the last 25 years. This involved considerable work on his part; and I gladly seize this opportunity to make public acknowledgment of his valuable service, and to bespeak from our German readers thanks for his labor in their behalf. The printing of the German Fiction Catalogue was delayed till these new books could be included.

The first lot of Russian books was ordered this year in response to requests from Russian residents. The list for purchase was prepared by Prof. Alexander Chessin, of Washington University, and Dr. E. C. Runge, Superintendent of the Insane Asylum. The books were chiefly Russian classics and the best recent books.

Among the additions of the year were many works of more or less costliness and importance and lasting value. The following titles are given as examples. In the list will be found a number of volumes on applied science and the arts, useful and fine. These are only the larger and more expensive works, nearly all for the Reference Department. The greater number of volumes in these classes were purchased for the Circulation Department; and it is a noteworthy fact that few books on applied science and the useful arts and trades remain long idle on the display shelves. Books in these lines, from the most elementary trade manual to the most scientific treatise on engineering or applied chemistry, are quickly taken from the open shelves. It is a gratifying assurance of the care taken in the selection of books for purchase that scarcely a volume is bought that does not speedily find readers. When we have more space and can thus keep a larger number of books on the open shelves, there will undoubtedly be an increased ratio of books of instruction read.

SOME NOTEWORTHY ADDITIONS: ARRANGED IN ORDER OF CLASS.

HOEFFDING, H. History of modern philosophy. 1900. 2 v. O. 3
BRAID, J. Braid on hypnotism; neurypnology. 1899. O. 4a
WEISS, B. Biblical theology of the New Testament. 1893. 2 v. O. 11
BEYSCHLAG, W. New Testament Theology. 1899. O. 11a
DORNER, I. A. System of Christian doctrine. 1897. 4 v. O. 11a
MUELLER, J. Christian doctrine of sin. 1885. 2 v. O. 11a
TISSOT, J. J. Life of our Saviour. 1899. 4 v. F. 12d
PODMORE, F. Modern spiritualism. 1902. 2 v. O. 13b
THAYER, J. B. Cases on constitutional law. 1895. 2 v. Q. 24a
BRANNON, H. Treatise on the rights guaranteed by the 14th amendment. 1901. O. 25
DONAHUE, D. D. Treatise on petroleum. 1902. O. 25
JUDSON, F. N. Treatise on the power of taxation in U. S. 1903. O. 25
GEORGIA convention of the people. Journal. 1861. O. 26a
OLIVER, T. Dangerous trades. 1902. O. 29g
PROUDHON, P. J. Traités. 1833-48. 18 v. O. 36
ALEXANDROV, A. Complete English-Russian dictionary. 1899. Q. 34
WENSTROEM, E., *and* Lindgren, E. Engelsk-svensk ordbok. [1895.] O. 34
MARCH, F. A. Thesaurus dictionary of the English language. [c1902.] Q. 34a

CARPENTER, R. C. Experimental engineering. 1901. O. 40
COOPER, E. T. Linear perspective. c1900. F. 40
INTERNATIONAL Correspondence School. Textbooks.
NAYLOR, W. Trades waste. 1902. O. 40
ELECTRICAL world. Index. 1883-96. Q. 43
RAWSON, C., *and others*. Dictionary of dyes used in calico printing. 1901. O. 44c

TYLOR, E. B. Primitive culture. 1891. 2 v. O. 51
POWELL, W. H. List of officers of the U. S. 1900. O. 60
FREEMANTLE, F. F. Book of the rifle. 1901. O. 60a
BRANNT, W. T. Petroleum. 1895. O. 61c
SEGER, H. A. Collected writings. v. 1. 1902. Q. 61c
GOTTSBERGER, F. Accountant's guide. [c1902.] Q. 62a
SHELDON, F. M. Practical colorist. 1900. Q. 62b
HOMANS, J. E. Self-propelled vehicles. 1902. O. 62c
DENNY, G. A. Diamond drilling. 1900. O. 63a
NEUBERGER, H., *and* Noalhat, H. Technology of petroleum. 1901. Q. 63a
LOWELL, G., *ed.* American gardens. 1902. F. 63b
MAGNER standard horse and stock book. 1898. Q. 63b

SCOTT, W. Florists' manual. 1899. Q. 63b
WILEY, H. W. Principles and practice of agricultural analysis. 1894-1897. 3 v. O. 63b
BALDRY, A. L. Modern mural decoration. 1902. O. 65
ENGLISH country homes. 1901. F. 65a
VIGNOLA, G. B. da. Five orders of architecture; plates by Esquié. n. d. Q. 65a
CORNER, J. M., *and* Soderholtz, E. E. Examples of domestic colonial architecture in New England. 1901. F. 65a
KNIGHT, H. G. Ecclesiastical architecture in Italy. 1843. 2 v. F6. 65a
SANDERS, W. B. Half-timbered houses. 1894. F5. 65a
WHEELWRIGHT, E. M. School architecture. 1901. Q. 65a
LANTERI, E. Modelling. 1902. O. 65b
EYTH, K. Das farbige Malerbuch. 1-6. 1900. Q. 65c
VANDERPOEL, E. N. Color problems. 1902. D. 65c
PARIS salon. 1901. F. 65e
SOULE Art Co. Complete art reference catalogue. 1902. Q. 65e
DEKORATIVE Vorbilder. v. 12-13. 1901-2. F. 65g
PALLISER, F. (M.) History of lace. 1902. Q. 65g
GARRETT, E. H. Victorian songs. 1895. O. 67
BURNS, R. National Burns; ed. by G. Gilfillan. n. d. 4 v. Q. 67b
REID, J. B. Complete concordance to Burns. 1889. Q. 67b
LANIER, S. Shakespeare and his forerunners. 1902. 2 v. O. 67d1
SHAKESPEARE, W. King Henry VIII.; introd. bv E. Dowden. 1892. F. 67d1
MODERN eloquence. 1901. 10 v. O. 74
VORHEES, D. W. Forty years of oratory. 1898. 2 v. O. 74a
MAZZINI, G. Life and writings. 1891. 6 v. D. 76
SAINTSBURY, G. History of criticism. 1902. O. 77
NICOLL, W. R., *ed.* Literary anecdotes. 1895-6. O. 77b
LARNED, J. N. Literature of American history. 1902. Q. 78b
BOSSU, *Capt.* N. Travels through Louisiana. 1771. 2 v. 83c
HARRIS, T. M. Journal of a tour northwest of the Alleghany mountains. 1805. O. 83c
LUMHOLTZ, C. Unknown Mexico. 1902. 2 v. O. 83d
PRICHARD, H. H. Through the heart of Patagonia. 1902. Q. 83f
WEY, F. Rome. 1888. F. 84d
SLADEN, D. In Sicily. 1901. 2 v. Q. 84d
LYNCH, H. F. B. Armenia. 1901. 2 v. O. 85a
WRIGHT, G. F. Asiatic Russia. 1902. 2 v. O. 85c
HOLMES, E. B. The Burton-Holmes lectures. 1901. 10 v. Q. 87b

GARRAN, A., *ed.* Australia. 1892. 3 v. F. 87c
SCHUERER, E. History of the Jewish people. n. d. 5 v. O. 90c
FRENCH, B. F. Historical memoirs of Louisiana. 1846-50. 1853. 3 v. O. 91
HANNA, C. A. Scotch-Irish. 1902. 2 v. O. 91
WILSON, W. History of the American people. 1902. 5 v. O. 91
STODDARD, A. Sketches of Louisiana. 1812. O. 91
SINGLETON, E. Social New York under the Georges. 1902. O. 91e
WRIGHT, *Mrs.* M. R. New Brazil. [c1901.] F. 92d
MCKINNON, J. Union of England and Scotland. 1896. O. 93
MCGEOGHEGAN, J. History of Ireland. 1903. O. 93b
VILLARI, P. Barbarian invasions of Italy. 1902. O. 94a
LONERGAN, W. F. Historic churches of Paris. 1896. O. 94c
FORBES, A. My experiences of the war between France and Germany. 1871. 2 v. O. 96b
COWAN, S. Mary Queen of Scots. 1901. 2 v. O. 97b
LANG, A. Mystery of Mary Stuart. 1901. O. 97b
PETIT, J. A. History of Mary Stuart. 1874. 2 v. F. 97b
RAE, W. F. Sheridan. 1896. 2 v. O. 97b
STODDART, A. M. J. Stuart Blackie. 1895. 2 v. O. 97b
TARVER, J. C. Tiberius the tyrant. 1902. O. 97b
WILKINS, W. H. Caroline the illustrious. 1901. 2 v. O. 97b

Donations and Exchanges.

The gifts and exchanges of the year comprise 1,325 volumes, 6,059 pamphlets, 125 maps and 1,496 mounted pictures. The last named were received from the Art League of St. Louis; while the rest came from 991 different sources. A list of individual donors is given in an appendix. Among the more noteworthy gifts, besides the pictures referred to above, were 21 volumes from Dr. D. R. McAnally, his annual contribution to the collection given by his father; 67 volumes from the Gould Directory Company, comprising the directories of the principal cities of the United States; 66 volumes from Broadhead & Haeussler; 58 volumes and 19 pamphlets from Charles Pettus; 56 volumes and 39 pamphlets from Dr. L. H. Reuter; 29 volumes from Miss Helen Tutt; 25 volumes from Major J. B. Merwin; 23 volumes from D. C. Heath & Co.; 10 volumes from the St. Louis News Company; 8 volumes from the Frœbel Library Association, its annual contribution to the collection established by it some years ago. Dr. Sam'l. A. Green, Li-

brarian of the Massachusetts Historical Society, a constant donor for many years, sent us this year a package containing 4 volumes and 53 pamphlets; Mr. Thomas W. Lawson, the well-known yachtsman, favored us with a copy of his handsome volume printed for private distribution, "The Lawson History of the America's Cup."

Our Bulletin and our Annual Report were mailed to 250 libraries; and we returned to the Superintendent of Public Documents 60 volumes and 8 pamphlets—duplicates of government publications.

Contents of the Library.

The taking of the biennial inventory came in this year. It was begun March 20, and the bulk of the work—the comparison of the books with the shelf list—was finished May 4. Spring is chosen as the most convenient season for this item of extra work, because there is always a decline in the circulation after the month of March; and the work can be practically completed before the vacations begin. It is no small task. As I have more fully explained in previous reports, it involves the handling of every volume in the collection, the noting of author, title and accession number, and a comparison of the same items on the corresponding card in the shelf-list and the stamping of book and card, and, further, the rectifying of any discrepancy between book and card that may be discovered.

Certain records relating to the biennial stock-taking are made from day to day with monthly footings. For example, as books unfit for further use are condemned, they are listed in a book kept for the purpose, and a note of their withdrawal is also made opposite their several entries in the accession ledger. In the "withdrawn book" the entries receive consecutive numbers, beginning with number 1 at the outset of each year, so that the last number shows how many volumes have been condemned up to date. Books "sold," "lost and paid for," etc., are listed in the same manner. These, together with those charged to readers and not returned, those destroyed for fear of contagion,—in short, all known losses are recorded from day to day, and from month to month; and whenever we desire to estimate the contents of the collection we take the figures shown by the last inventory, add to these the accessions since the date of the inventory, and from the total deduct the volumes condemned,

lost and paid for, etc. But from time to time books disappear without our knowledge. The object of the stock-taking is to ascertain what books are missing in this way.

Briefly, this inventory shows that in the two years 14,571 volumes were worn out and withdrawn from circulation; 398 were lost and paid for; 37 were lost and replaced by the losers with other copies; 17 were burned for fear of contagion; 6 were sold; 7 were stolen and dropped into a sewer; 1 was damaged and paid for and 1 was lost in transmission to the publisher; 240 were lost at a social settlement, 8 at a Sunday School, 5 at the High School, and 127 (32 this year and 95 the year previous) were charged to borrowers and not returned. These are all accounted for; we know, at least, how or through what channel they disappeared. But in addition to these, 1,458 volumes could not be found, nor could the manner of their disappearance be ascertained. It is quite possible that some of these are among the thousands that were boxed and stored in the Exposition building. At any rate, as always happens, some of them will be found later. This inventory brought to light 177 books reported unaccounted for at previous inventories. The loss through the social settlement was extraordinary: no such loss ever occurred before and it is not likely to occur again. It was caused by the extreme negligence of the former superintendent of the settlement. While in number of volumes it is large, in value it is very small, for most of the books would soon have gone to swell the number of books worn out and withdrawn. This last item was exceptionally large the last two years, because it included many volumes that should have been condemned in previous years. It inevitably increases with the growth of the circulation and represents the ordinary wear and tear. A public library that does not have many books worn out each year is not fulfilling its function. In his address at the formal opening of the present library quarters, Dr. Edward Everett Hale said, with repetition and emphasis: "Books are made to read. . . . The greatest credit to a library is its ability to report at the end of the year that a large number of its books have been worn out in clear and honest service." The number of books lost could be very greatly reduced by various precautions, which, however, would cost as much, or more than, the value of the books, and by restrictions which would be irksome to the public and drive away many honest readers and seekers for information. It is noteworthy that of the books reg-

ularly drawn by card-holders, the percentage of loss is absolutely insignificant. The first year of the free library the loss was three volumes out of 331,000 volumes issued; this year it was 32 out of 902,768 volumes taken by card-holders to their homes.

CLASSIFIED CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY ON APRIL 30, 1903.

CLASSES.	REF.	REG. LIB.	COLL. OF DUP.	TOTALS.
Philosophy	237	1,378		1,615
Religion	2,910	3,533		6,443
Social science	16,204	6,080	2	22,286
Natural science	11,656	8,908	6	20,570
Art and poetry	1,792	7,363		9,155
Fiction	400	33,909	672	34,981
Juvenile literature	453	24,880		25,333
Literary miscellany	2,148	6,047	8	8,203
Travels and history	3,366	15,396	2	18,764
Cyclopædias & periodicals	10,623	1,685		12,308
Total	49,789	109,179	690	159,658
Unentered duplicates and books not yet catalogued (about)				6,000
Total contents April 30, 1903 (about)				165,658

CONTENTS OF EACH ROOM.

CIRCULATION DEPT.			
Main Library		108,851	
Coll. of Duplicates		690	
Froebel Collection		328	
		109,869	
Ref. Books in Circulation Dept		160	110,029
REFERENCE DEPT.			
Public Document Room (other than U. S. docs.)			17,548
U. S. documents			8,672
Reading Room (other than Patent Office reports)			792
Art Room			2,149
Catalogue Room			455
Office			22
Reference Room	16,481		
McAnally Collection	3,510		19,991
			159,658
Unentered duplicates, etc., (about)			6,000
Total contents of collection April 30, 1903 (about)			165,658

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

Records and Notices.

While, as previously stated, all of the 902,768 books regularly drawn by card-holders were returned to the Library with the exception of 32, this satisfactory result was not accomplished without effort. Looking after tardy and delinquent card-holders, rewriting book-cards, and keeping a classified record of the issue through the various channels with daily, weekly, and monthly footings, occupies the whole time of two assistants and part of the time of a third. When a book is 6 days overdue, a postal card notice is mailed to the holder. If the book is not returned in 10 days, a second notice is sent; and 5 days later, in case of continued detention, a third notice is mailed. On the 20th day a messenger is sent, and at the end of 30 days the cases of the few persistent delinquents are turned over to the City Attorney for prosecution under the ordinance. Besides keeping the issue statistics, the work of this sub-department involved the writing of 36,772 book-cards, the filling out and addressing of 12,971 first notices, 3,162 second and 853 third notices for books overdue, and 200 notices to guarantors. In each case, of course, the address had to be looked up in the registration index. A messenger was sent for 331 books not returned after three notices had been mailed. The messenger brought back 118, and 181 were shortly returned by the card-holders, leaving 32 not returned at the close of the year. Most of these were held by persons who had left town or had moved or could not be traced,—the same being the case with their guarantors. Six cases were referred to the City Attorney. Three were successfully prosecuted and made to pay for books and fines and costs of trial, while the other three were withdrawn and settled out of court. There were also mailed 1,676 postal cards, giving notice of books reserved by request and 487 notices requesting card-holders in "posted" houses not to return their books, but turn them over to the health officers. The Health Commissioner sends daily notices to the Library of cases of contagious diseases, and in posting the houses notifies the residents not to return the library books until they have been fumigated. A similar notice is sent from the Library. In cases of the more virulent diseases the books are destroyed.

Binding.

The number of volumes sent to the binder for first binding was 1,419, almost identical with the number sent last year, namely, 1,417. The cost averaged 64 cents per volume. 7,128 volumes were rebound at a cost of $3,040.05, an average of 40 cents per volume, and 1,442 volumes were repaired at a cost of $465.60, an average of 32 cents per volume. There were also 10,092 volumes repaired in the Library, the repairs ranging from patching or inserting a few leaves to supplying new covers. These cost on an average 4 cents a volume.

Circulation.

The last annual report noted the crossing of the million line in the total issue of books and periodicals. This report shows an advance to nearly a quarter of the second million, in exact figures, 1,237,631, an increase of 155,261 over the previous year. The books drawn for home reading numbered 902,768. The home issue was divided thus:—drawn on call-slips at the delivery counter, 166,793; from the open shelves, 211,730; through the delivery stations, 285,423; and from the juvenile department a total of 238,822, divided as follows:—drawn at the juvenile desk, 98,522; supplementary reading sent to schools, 93,327; depositories in outlying schools, 46,973.

From the above figures it appears that of the 902,768 books drawn for home reading, 405,723, 4/9 of the whole, reached their readers through our various channels of outside distribution; that of the 378,523 volumes drawn by adults at the Library, 211,730, 56 per cent, were selected by the readers themselves from the open shelves. This ratio has grown greater from year to year and would doubtless increase more rapidly if, instead of a corner of the stack with about 3,000 volumes, we had a regular open-shelf room containing fifteen to twenty-five thousand volumes, including the best in every line. Such a room is one of the great *desiderata* in a public library.

The largest issue for any one day was 6,152, on February 7: the smallest, 1,958, on July 18. The total Sunday issue was 17,016: the total holiday issue for the seven holidays was 11,734. The average week-day issue in all departments was 3,900: the average daily home issue was 2,893. Full particulars regarding the issue will be found in the following tables:

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	HOME ISSUE.						
	MAIN LIBRARY	DELIVERY STATIONS	SCHOOLS AND DEPOSITORIES	TOTAL	LIBRARY	PERIODICALS	TOTALS.
May	38,181	26,452	16,607	81,240	7,333	17,306	105,879
June	34,841	18,527	3,832	57,200	5,836	14,359	77,395
July	34,973	16,473	11	51,457	5,702	11,012	68,171
August	35,901	16,270		52,171	5,997	11,139	69,307
September	36,819	15,481	2,236	54,536	5,114	13,553	73,203
October	41,821	18,456	8,904	69,181	8,629	19,369	97,179
November	42,141	24,274	15,843	82,258	10,764	21,672	114,694
December	41,255	29,289	16,206	86,750	9,308	25,414	121,472
January	46,126	27,456	14,496	88,078	11,400	27,382	126,860
February	43,190	25,947	16,921	86,058	11,191	24,310	121,559
March	44,873	31,054	22,210	98,137	11,184	24,602	133,923
April	36,924	35,744	23,034	95,702	9,513	22,774	127,989
Total	477,045	285,423	140,300	902,768	101,971	232,892	1,237,631
1902	438,156	237,331	103,020	778,507	95,106	208,757	1,082,370
Gain	38,889	48,092	37,280	124,261	6,865	24,135	155,261

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	HOME ISSUE	PER CENT	LIBRARY ISSUE	PER CENT	TOTAL ISSUE OF BOOKS	PER CENT
Philosophy	3,106	.34	1,344	1.32	4,450	.44
Religion	3,940	.44	3,943	3.87	7,883	.78
Soc. science	7,940	.88	12,571	11.35	20,511	2.04
Natural science	20,128	2.23	13,357	13.10	33,485	3.33
Art	4,704	.52	8,261	8.10	12,965	1.29
Poetry	11,917	1.32	3,147	3.09	15,064	1.50
Fiction	434,027	48.08	6,524	6.40	440,551	43.85
Coll. of Dup	42,933	4.75			42,933	4.27
Juvenile	322,039	35.67	1,353	1.33	323,392	32.19
Lit. misc	12,671	1.40	7,072	7.91	19,743	1.96
Travels	9,074	1.00	3,322	3.26	12,396	1.24
History	13,208	1.46	7,900	7.73	21,108	2.11
Biographies	9,084	1.01	5,136	5.04	14,220	1.41
Cyclopaedias, and periodicals	7,997	.90	28,041	27.50	36,038	3.59
Total	902,768	100.00	101,971	100.00	1,004,739	100.00

SUMMARIES.

	1901-1902	1902-1903
Home issue, regular library	737,244	859,835
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	41,263	42,933
	778,507	902,768
Library issue	95,106	101,971
Total issue of books	873,613	1,004,739
Reading room issue (periodicals)	208,757	232,892
Total issue in all departments	1,082,370	1,237,631
Gain in 1902-1903 over 1901-1902		155,261

LARGEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1903.

Main desk	919
Open shelves	1,199
Juvenile	748
Delivery stations	1,732
Total home issue	4,598
Library issue	578
Reading room issue	976
Total issue in all departments	6,152

LARGEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JANUARY 11, 1903.

Library issue	117
Reading room issue	402
Total	519

TOTAL SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	2,746
Reading room issue	14,270
Total	17,016

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	2,893
Library issue	279
Reading room	638
Total	3,810

SMALLEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, JULY 18, 1902.

Main desk	196
Open shelves	454
Juvenile	163
Delivery stations	470
Total home issue	1,283
Library issue	201
Reading room issue	474
Total issue in all departments	1,958

SMALLEST SUNDAY ISSUE, AUGUST 3, 1902.

Library issue	15
Reading room issue	122
Total	137

AVERAGE SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	53
Reading room issue	274
Total	327

AVERAGE WEEK-DAY ISSUE.

Home issue	2,893
Library issue	318
Reading room	701
Total	3,912

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1902-1903.

	HOME.	LIBRARY.	R. R.	TOTAL
Decoration Day	1,805	344	610	2,759
Fourth of July	42	23	120	185
Labor Day	1,442	132	370	1,944
Thanksgiving	499	61	819	1,379
Christmas	447	50	400	897
New Year's Day	347	55	629	1,031
Washington's Birthday	2,058	486	995	3,539
Total	6,640	1,151	3,943	11,734
Average	948	164	563	1,676

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY AS MADE FREE.

'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03
11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984	35,816	41,263	42,933

TOTAL ISSUE BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03
Home Issue	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,339	707,823	740,179	778,507	902,768
Ref. and Lib.	40,628	46,082	51,240	69,070	65,732	69,966	70,606	95,106	101,971
Read. Room	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,783	201,886	187,812	208,757	232,892
Total	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675	998,597	1,082,370	1,237,631

RECORDED USE OF BOOKS IN REFERENCE ROOM.

	1901-02	1902-03
May	5,651	5,678
June	4,542	4,645
July	4,618	4,578
August	3,812	4,866
September	3,878	3,815
October	6,876	6,955
November	7,545	9,114
December	7,000	7,316
January	8,334	9,104
February	8,132	9,196
March	8,715	9,195
April	5,648	8,000
	74,751	82,462

Reference.

The importance and the usefulness of this department is steadily growing, and the growth has been more marked the last two years than ever before. The recorded issue in the Reference Room for this year was 82,462 volumes, a gain of 7,711 over the previous year; but it is impossible to secure a record of all books consulted in a room where there is free access to the shelves. No great effort is made to do so, as an exact count is of no importance. It is enough to know that the reference collection is year by year being more extensively used and more highly appreciated. The additions for the past two years number 2,798 volumes, making the total number on May 1st, 1903, 49,789 volumes, to which must be added some 30,000 pamphlets. The reference room is already over-crowded with books and has not space for the adequate accommodation of students and investigators. The average issue on Sunday afternoons and evenings was 27 volumes.

The following printed lists were prepared by this department: 8 short lists of popular novels; lists on the following subjects: Manufactures, Practical Aid for Writers, Music, Municipal Improvements, Travel, Electricity, Indoor Games; 2 special lists on Thanksgiving and Christmas, and a somewhat extended list of books and articles on the Louisiana Purchase, which appeared in the April number of the Bulletin.

Delivery Stations.

There were issued through the stations, 285,423 books, a gain of 48,092. Station 14, Pestalozzi and Salina, continues our largest station, with an issue of 17,454, a gain of 3,460. This was followed by No. 30, Leffingwell and Cass, with 13,292; No. 22, Grand and Finney, 10,279; No. 25, Lafayette and California, 9,694; No. 33, Goode and Easton, 9,137; No. 23, Broadway and Keokuk, 8,919; No. 20, Marcus and Easton, 8,705; No. 2, Grand and St. Louis, 8,275. These include all that exceeded 8,000 volumes. There were 33,146 books issued through the Central High School.

The following stations were added during the year:

No. 49. Olive and Whittier Sts.
50. 4115 Prairie Avenue.
51. Compton and Lawton Avenues.
52. 7th street and Cass Avenue.
53. North Market and Vandeventer Avenue.
54. Sarah street and Chouteau Avenue.
55. 11th and Penrose Streets.
56. Jefferson Avenue and North Market Street.
57. Leffingwell Avenue and Morgan Street.
58. Vandeventer and Laclede Avenues.

Station 28 was changed from Cheltenham to Grand and Gravois Avenues; No. 38 from 10th and Geyer Avenue to 12th and Geyer Avenue, and No. 48 from 18th and Cass Avenue to 20th and Wright Street. No. 41 was changed from a bi-weekly to a daily.

Juvenile.

This department continues to grow rapidly, both in the number of registered readers and in the issue of books. From it, directly and through the school depositories and the supplementary reading, were issued 238,822 volumes, a gain of 56,491 over the previous year. Adding to these the juvenile books issued at the adult delivery counter and through the delivery stations, gives a total of 322,039,—32 per cent of the total home issue. All of this reading is educational. If the children learn nothing else—and they cannot escape other acquisition - they at least learn to *read*, which is their chief business in their early years at school. In answer to the question, what should be taught in the public schools, Dr. Parkhurst wrote: "The first and pretty nearly the last thing the public schools ought to do for the average child is to teach him to read, speak and write the English language

intelligently. This will afford him no end of mental discipline, and will, at the same time, put into his hand the key to every door that he may need to swing further on."

The public library, then, is an essential adjunct of the public school; and the work it does in this capacity is a large factor in its value to the community. In my report for 1900-1901, I quoted statements from a number of St. Louis principals, testifying that the supplementary reading supplied to their pupils is "helpful in all their studies"; that it possesses "as high a value as anything taught in the schools"; while two teachers pronounce it to be "worth all the rest of the school work." They testify further that it is "a great aid to discipline directly and through effect on character"; that "it puts children in a better and happier frame of mind—more conducive to study"; and, finally, that "the books taken into the homes have been helpful to the entire community."

As indicated in the summary of statistics, the work of this department has three channels of operation; books drawn at the desks, supplementary reading sets sent to the schools, and school depositories. The last agency shows an issue twice as large as that of the previous year. This gain was the natural result of increasing the number of depositories from 35 to 60, and greater interest and care on the part of the teachers. The depository libraries are the selection of the individual teacher, who chooses such books as she thinks likely to prove most interesting and helpful to her pupils. Besides the public schools, one Catholic and one Lutheran school were provided with a collection. The grades in which these libraries have proved of greatest helpfulness and benefit are between the third and sixth. The plan of placing collections in rooms for younger children did not prove wholly satisfactory. For these the teacher prefers to get a set of supplementary reading books.

The chief impediment to a more rapid growth of the use of supplementary reading is the lack of means of transportation. Scarcely any is furnished by the Board of Education the first six weeks of each half-year; and most of the balance of the year the service is inadequate. The earnestness of the desire of teachers and pupils for these books is shown by their willingness to carry parcels and boxes of books themselves.

Of the 77 white schools, 51 used the supplementary sets: 16 did not. Of the 12 colored schools, 4 used them, and 8 did not. We also sent sets to 8 night schools; 6 public, 1 Jewish, and 1

Ethical. We supplied, also, 1 Catholic institution and the House of Refuge.

The following new sets of 30 copies each for the 7th and 8th grades were added during the year: specially prepared editions of Bulwer's Harold, Kennedy's Horse-shoe Robinson and Schiller's William Tell. Eggleston's First book in American history and Holbrook's Hiawatha primer were transferred to the regular shelves, because they were supplied to the schools by the Board of Education. Twenty-two sets were worn out: 3 sets of Lang's Cinderella, 2 sets each of Baldwin's Old stories of the East, Crosby's Our little book for little folks, Johonnot's Cats and dogs; one set each of Baldwin's Old Greek stories, Brooks' Stories of the red children, Eggleston's Stories of American life and adventure, Haaren's Rhymes and fables, Holbrook's Hiawatha primer, Judson and Bender's Graded literature readers, 1st book, Lang's Jack and the beanstalk, Little Red Riding-Hood and Princess on the glass hill, Swinton's Golden book of choice reading, Thompson's First reader, and Wiggin's Birds' Christmas Carol.

These 11 sets were replaced: 2 sets each of Baldwin, Old stories of the East, and Lang, Cinderella; 1 set each of Brooks, Red children; Eggleston, Stories of American life; Lang, Jack and the beanstalk and Little Red Riding-Hood; Swinton, Golden book of choice reading; Thompson, First reader; and Wiggin, Birds' Christmas Carol.

Thirty-six books were lost during the year, 12 were paid for and 4 destroyed on account of contagious diseases. One set, Lang, Jack and the beanstalk, was lost in transportation from the Dessalines School to the Library; but it was almost worn out and would soon have been condemned.

The relative popularity of the various sets was given in the last annual report. It has remained about the same.

A new supplementary reading list was, as usual, printed and distributed to the schools at the beginning of the school year, also a list on Sports and Handicrafts, an enlarged list on U. S. History, and a leaflet furnishing "Suggestions for a Reading Course for the 3d, 4th and 5th Grades." The arrangement of the last named list is chronological, beginning with the childhood of the race and continuing through the age of chivalry. The late Mr. C. L. Howard fully tested this course at the Columbia school, and his teachers concur in his opinion that the stories are peculiarly suited to the children of the above grades.

The list is prefaced by the above explanation of its purpose, and, with an introductory quotation from Herbart, is as follows:—

"True moral energy is the result of great scenes and thoughts, presented not in fragments, but as a unified whole."—*Herbart.*

1. BALDWIN. Fifty famous stories retold.
2. " Old stories of the East.
3. " Old Greek stories.
4. HAWTHORNE. Wonder book; or—Kingsley. Greek heroes.
5. HOMER. Story of Troy. (Clarke.)
6. " Story of Ulysses. (Cooke) or (Lamb.)
7. VIRGIL. Story of Aeneas. (Clarke.)
8. KEARY. Heroes of Asgard; or—Mabie. Norse stories.
9. NIBELUNGEN Lied. Story of the German Iliad. (Burt.)
10. ANDREWS. Ten boys. Read first four. then—
11. CLARKE. Story of Caesar.
12. SHAKESPEARE. Julius Caesar.
13. ANDREWS. Ten boys. Read Wulf and Gilbert, then—
14. GREENE. King Arthur and his court.

The following table shows the schools that were supplied with miscellaneous collections of books, the number of volumes to each, the time retained and the number of volumes issued from each:

REPORT OF DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES. 1902-1903.

	ROOMS.	BOOKS.	WEEKS.	TOTAL ISSUE.
Benton	3	111	26	966
Blow Night School	1	25	8	76
Carondelet	2	100	27	1,736
Clinton	4	209	33	3,350
Columbia	6	350	34	8,297
Eliot	7	319	32	6,740
Emerson	6	221	31	3,009
Fremont	10	463	33	10,540
Froebel	4	196	18	2,290
Monroe	1	35	12	160
Rock Spring	2	102	27	1,522
Shepard	7	284	30	2,890
Walnut Park	2	96	27	723
Washington	2	64	29	1,062
St. Kevin	1	57	17	199
Walther College	2	70	13	412
	60	2,702		44,572

Crowded Quarters.

The task of administration is yearly rendered more difficult by the increasing insufficiency of space. For some years past we have had to resort to various expedients to secure

shelf-room and work-room. At first it was easy to add shelving for some nine or ten thousand volumes by lining the seventh floor lobby and corridor with closets, though this was accomplished only by shelving the books three deep. Besides this, the greater part of the ladies' space in the reading-room was filled with a stack 8 feet high; and 608 linear feet of low cases for newspapers were placed in the reading-room. This furnished sufficient shelf-room for a year or more. Since then, we have had to secure working space for four of the cataloguing staff by sacrificing two sections of the stack in the public document room, to narrow the aisles and shelves in this room and the reference room, and to build wall cases up to the ceiling, 16 feet high, in the latter room.

The present month, December, 1903, we have extended the reference room stack with rough pine shelving from 9 feet to 11 feet in height, and put up ceiling-high shelving in the delivery station room. And with all this additional shelving we were compelled to box our duplicates to the number of about 10,000 volumes, and store them in the Exposition building.

Staff.

Another impediment that is constantly with us lies in the frequent changes in the staff. Boys who have had more or less training as runners and shelvers are continually drawn off by commercial opportunities. The losses are chiefly in the lower grades: occasionally a middle grade assistant drops out; but resignations in the higher grades are few. I have, however, to record a notable loss for this year in the person of Miss Sylvia Allen, who for nine years rendered efficient service at the issue and receiving desks. She left on January 17, to be married. The present staff, though a number of its members are new, promises, with experience, to equal, if not surpass, any we have had heretofore. I take pleasure in commending its industry, efficiency and good spirit.

World's Fair Library Exhibit.

The contemplated Louisiana Purchase Exposition brought to the principal libraries of Missouri—and especially to the St. Louis Public Library—the duty of co-operating with the Exposition directors in securing the annual conference of the American Library Association, and also in preparing an exhibit of the work of the public library as an educational institution. Such

an exhibit was, of course, included in the plan of Mr. Howard J. Rogers, Director of the Department of Education.

Upon presentation of the matter, the American Library Association was convinced that the logic of events compelled the choice of St. Louis for its next Conference. It also appointed a committee of five, of which your Librarian is a member, to arrange for an exhibit showing the library activities of the country. It was agreed at the outset that the best form for such an exhibit would be a library building representing a model of a town library or a branch of a city system. This building was to be equipped with the most approved furniture, fixtures and appliances and supplied with a choice collection of six to ten thousand volumes, and was to present to visitors the object lesson of a public library in actual operation. The A. L. A., of course, had no money for the erection of such a building; nor did any of the Missouri libraries. But it was hoped that the Exposition directors would see in this an especially attractive feature and a valuable, permanent building to leave as a souvenir of the Fair. This hope was ultimately disappointed; and space was secured in the Education Building. Unlimited room was promised at first; but unforeseen demands cut down the allotment to a space 70x30 feet. At present writing the problem is to obtain money to erect a façade and convert this space into the semblance of a one-room library, fully equipped and with a collection of 6,000 to 10,000 volumes, comprising the best books in every department. There is still, however, a bare chance of securing a separate building, which is greatly to be desired.

In the outset, when it was hoped that the Exposition would erect a permanent library building, the Board of Directors of this Library sent to the Exposition Board the following appeal, which I submit with my report because it bears on one of the efforts of the year, and because what it says of the importance of the Public Library in general is not impertinent to a report on the work of a particular library; and, I may add, first and finally, because its publication has been requested by several prominent librarians, two of whom have requested the privilege of reprinting it, if it were not to appear in the publications of this institution.

To the Board of Directors of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

Gentlemen:—

We beg leave to submit for your consideration the claims of the Public Library, as an institution, to recognition at the coming World's Fair.

It is not necessary to dwell on the universally admitted fact that education is the foundation of all progress,—that material prosperity and social order are based on, and may be measured by, the standard of general enlightenment. Your recognition of the importance of education is shown by your intention to erect a grand building for the exclusive use of that department. While every department of the Fair is educational, this particular building will be devoted to exhibits of various systems and methods of school and college instruction and training. But in the last fifty years has grown up in this country and in western Europe a new institution, which is educational in the broadest and the highest sense: in the broadest sense, because it reaches and benefits all classes and all ages as no other educational institution can do; in the highest sense, because there is no one so wise and learned as not to find in it information and help. The college reaches but 2/5 of one per cent of the population, the high school a small additional percentage: an overwhelming majority of children leave school before they have completed even the grammar school course. The public library doubles the value of the education these millions receive while in school and enables them, and incites them, to go on with their education after they become bread-winners. It also furnishes to adults the means of making up deficiencies in early education: it aids artisans and artists in their work; it supplies to students, teachers and preachers the information and the inspiration which they convey to the people to whom they minister.

The Library, besides being the most efficient and most economical agency for popular education, represents all the Fair will have to show. It stands for the sum total of human knowledge. It is the instrumentality through which knowledge has been conserved and cumulated. Only through the Library can civilization continue to advance. The Fair is designed to exhibit a conspectus of the world in its present state, to show the progress made by man from rudest savagery, and particularly to point out the latest and highest achievements of the civilization of today. Would it not, then, seem strange and inexcusable to pass over, or relegate to some corner in a huge multifarious display, that creation of man which has made the World's Fair a possibility, that agency which will record and preserve the glories of the Fair and convey its lessons to thousands who cannot visit it? Books are the most potent factors in progress. Without books we should have had no powerful locomotives to show, no wireless telegraphy, no wonder-working machinery, no beautiful buildings, no impressive statuary, no paintings to arouse wonder and yield delight,—no World's Fair to draw to St. Louis visitors from all over the world.

The importance—the necessity—of the public library in a system of popular education is attested in the strongest terms by President Eliot of Harvard, Dr. Harris, U. S. Com'r. of Education, and many other leading educators. Dr. Harris says:

"What there is good in our American system points towards this preparation of the pupil for independent study of the book by himself. It points towards acquiring the ability of *self* education by means of the library."

Principals of St. Louis public schools testify that the books supplied to their schools by our Public Library are the greatest aid in the school work. Some go so far as to say that this reading of literature is "worth as much as the whole school curriculum." All agree that these books are a great aid to discipline, that they "put the children into a better and happier state of mind more conducive to study," that they have a great and beneficent influence on conduct and character. Moreover, as has been said before, they beget a love of knowledge, which leads the child to continue his education after school days are over.

Now, the public school, including the high school, is known to everybody; it has been universally accepted for generations, and it flourishes in every city and town in the country. But the Public Library is known to comparatively few, especially in this section of the country. In the whole State of Missouri there are only seven public libraries.

The public library, then, being a co-ordinate agency with, and a necessary supplement to the public school (to say nothing of its other functions), should not be ignored or slighted by a World's Fair, whose chief aim is education. And since it is comparatively little known, it must be so presented as to attract attention. This it would not do if placed in a corner of some large building, as at Chicago and Paris. Moreover, library architecture is one of the lessons to be taught to the visitor.

A separate building, therefore, is necessary for the purpose of showing a model public library in operation.

The recommendation we ask you to adopt may be summed up as follows:

We recommend the erection of a Branch Library as one of the features of the World's Fair, and as one of the permanent buildings to be preserved in evidence of its enduring benefits to the city.

The general suggestion may be expanded as follows:

1. The structure to represent a model library building,—either for a town or for a branch in a city system,—and to cost not over $50,000.

2. To contain 5,000 to 10,000 volumes, comprising the best books in every department, thus serving as a guide for the purchase of the first five or ten thousand volumes for a town library. These books can probably be obtained from the publishers gratuitously,—in this way securing for the Fair and the city a gift of six to twelve thousand dollars.

3. The whole exhibit to show a model American public library in actual operation.

Reasons for Including Such an Exhibit.

From the Viewpoint of the Fair.

1. It would represent the latest and most advanced educational agency,—an instrumentality which foremost teachers of the country consider of equal value with the public schools. Being even more available to all the people--irrespective of age, race, religion or pecuniary condition—than the public schools, there is no other institution that so fitly and fully represents the democratic basis of American society.

2. There is just now no more marked movement in this country than the spread of the public library. In the East and North every city and town that has not a new library building is endeavoring to get one. The South and Southwest, from which a large share of our visitors will come, are not thoroughly awake to the importance of the public library as an aid to popu-

lar education. The proposed Branch Library, therefore, would perform a much needed missionary work in these sections, in which St. Louis has so great a commercial interest.

3. A model library at our Fair would not only be a drawing feature, but would be of great practical and economic value in setting before visitors from all parts of the country an example to follow in planning and organizing their contemplated new libraries. America confessedly leads the world in public libraries; and foreigners would find special interest in observing an American public library in actual operation, in a handsome new building, illustrating the latest ideas in library architecture.

This building would represent at once the genius of our democratic country and the spirit of the time.

4. The Library, with its reading room supplied with late periodicals and papers from all over the world, would provide one of the pleasantest possible places for rest after the fatigues of sight-seeing. It would also represent the spirit of new St. Louis, which has made the Fair, and is to make St. Louis a progressive and beautiful city.

From the Viewpoint of Permanent Benefit to the City.

1. Advanced educators place the public library alongside the public schools as an absolute necessity of popular education.

To make the Public Library accessible to all the people of St. Louis there must be many branches,—many more than Mr. Carnegie's $500,000 can erect. In a few years there will be a large population residing around Forest Park, who will be glad to have a branch library in the vicinity.

2. Many people not residents of that district would find it agreeable to spend some time in the library when visiting the park; and a beautiful building would be an ornament to the park and a feature of interest to strangers visiting the city.

Besides the gift of books which can be secured from the publishers, the Library Bureau of Boston promises to furnish and install, free of cost to the Exposition, a complete equipment of the most substantial and handsome character, including book stack and shelving, counters, desks and chairs, card cabinets and everything else that may be necessary to make the building a model of library furnishing.

We believe that the proposed Model Public Library will be one of the most interesting and instructive exhibits of the Fair; and we hope that the arguments that we have set forth (which might be multiplied) will appeal to your judgment and convince you of the wisdom of our recommendation.

We are

Respectfully yours,

F. W. LEHMANN, President.
GEO. O. CARPENTER, Vice-President.
MORRIS GLASER,
JOHN F. LEE,
WILLIAM MAFFITT,
I. W. MORTON,
EDWARD L. PREETORIUS,
O'NEILL RYAN,
Board of Directors.

F. M. CRUNDEN, Secretary.

With congratulations on the record of the year's accomplishment and the promise and assurance it gives of greater things to come, I have the honor to be

Respectfully and faithfully,

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

December, 1903.

STATE OF MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, } ss.

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the city of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edward L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1903, on account of City appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 30th day of January, Nineteen hundred and four.

(Seal.) H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 13, 1906.

STATE of MISSOURI, }
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, } ss.

Before the undersigned, a Notary Public, within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being by me duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 25th day of January, Nineteen hundred and four.

(Seal.) OTTO L. ZELLE,
Notary Public, City of St. Louis.

My term expires November 10, 1905.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES.

MAY 1, 1902—APRIL 30, 1903.

1,325 volumes, 6,059 pamphlets, 125 maps and 1,496 mounted pictures were received from 991 sources, as follows:

	Vols.	Phs.
Academy Book Room. *Bryn Athyn, Penn.*		6
Academy of Natural Sciences. *Phil.*		1
Academy of Science of St. Louis		12
Adams, C. F. *Boston*		1
Adams (S. G.) Stamp & Seal Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Adams Nervine Asylum. *Boston*		1
Adler, F. *N. Y.*		1
Adriance Memorial Library. *Poughkeepsie*		2
Aguilar Free Library Soc. *N. Y.*		2
Alabama Agric. Exp. Sta. *Auburn*		3
Albany, *N. Y.*, Bd. of Educ.	1	
All Souls Church. *Chicago*		3
Allegheny, *Penn.*, Carnegie Library		1
Altheimer & Rawlings Investment Co. *St. Louis*	1	
American Academy of Medicine. *Chicago*		7
American Anti-Vivisection Soc. *Phil.*		2
American Bd. of Commrs. for Foreign Missions. *Boston*		42
American Climatological Assoc. *Phil.*	1	1
American Colonization Society. *Wash., D. C.*		3
American Dermatological Assoc. *Chicago*	1	
American Free-Trade League. *Boston*		1
American Humane Educ. Soc. *Boston*		1
American Inst. of Architects. *Wash.*		7
American Inst. of Electrical Engineers		1
American Inst. of Homœopathy		2
American Inst. of Sacred Literature. *Chicago*		2
American Irish Hist. Soc. *Bost.*		2
American Library Assoc.		10
American Medical Assoc. *Chicago*	1	
American Medico-Psychological Assoc. *Flint., Mich.*	2	1
American Numismatic and Archæological Soc. *N. Y.*		1
American Pediatric Soc. *Wash.*	2	
American School of Correspondence. *Chic.*		2
American Social Science Assoc. *New Haven*	1	
American Society of Civil Engineers. *N. Y.*		3
American Street Railway Assoc. *Chic.*		1
Amherst College. *Amherst, Mass.*		3
Anderson, W. S.		1
Andover Theological Seminary		2
Anonymous misc. sources	8	479
Architectural Press Pub. Co. *N. Y.*		2
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Peabody Coal Co.	1	
Peabody Institute. *Balt.*		1
Peabody Institute. *Danvers, Mass.*		1
Pennsylvania. Adjutant General's Office	1	
—— Dept. of Forestry	1	
—— State College. Agric. Exp. Sta.		5
—— State Library	28	
Pennsylvania Bar Assoc. *Phil.*	1	
Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery		1
Pennsylvania Prison Soc.		2
Peoria. Public Library		3
Pettus, C. *St. Louis*	58	19
Philadelphia. Bd. of Educ.		1
—— Bur. of Charities	2	
—— Bur. of Water		2
—— Controller	1	
—— Free Library		4
—— Mayor		3
Philadelphia College of Pharmacy		10
Philadelphia Library Co.		1
Philadelphia Municipal League		1
Philadelphia Vacant Lots Cultivation Assoc.		1
Philadelphia Zoological Soc.		1
Philadelphia Polyclinic and College for Graduates in Medicine		1
Philippine Information Soc.		11
Philosophical Soc. of Washington		1
Piasa Chautauqua Assembly		2
Pilgrim Congregational Church		1
Pittsburgh. Carnegie Library		24
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
Portland, *Me.* Public Library	1	3
Portland, *Ore.* Library Assoc.		4
Portsmouth. Free Public Libraries		1
Post, *Miss* K. H. *St. Louis*		14
Pottenger, *Dr.* F. M. *Los Angeles*		6
Pratt Institute. *Brooklyn*		14
Presbyterian Synod of Mo. *Kansas City*		1
Princeton University. *Princeton, N. J.*	1	1
Providence. Public Library		20
Purdue University. *Lafayette, Ind.*		6
Purdy, L. *N. Y.*		2
Putnam's (G. P.) Sons. *N. Y.*	1	
Quincy, *Ill.* Public Library		1
Quinn, *Rev.* J. C.		4
Rambaud, G. G.		1
Rand, McNally & Co. *Chic.*	7	2
Redwood Library. *Newport*		1
Reed, E. F.	1	
Reedy, W. M. *St. Louis*		12
Reimer, G. *Berlin*		1
Reuter, *Dr.* L. H. *St. Louis*	56	39
Rhode Island. Agric. Exp. Sta.		7
—— Bd. of State Charities and Corrections	1	1
—— Commr. of Public Schools	1	
—— Railroad Commrs.	1	
—— State Bd. of Agric.	1	
Rice (F. R.) Cigar Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Richards, *Miss* N. *St. Louis*		4
Roberts (P. H.) Pub. Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Robins, W. L.		2
Rochdale, *Eng.* Free Public Library		1
Rombauer, *Judge* R. E. *St. Louis*	2	
Rouse, E. C. *St. Louis*	1	
Ruskin College. *Trenton, Mo.*		3
Rutgers College. *New Brunswick, N. J.*		1
St. George's Church. *N. Y.*		1
St. Ignatius College. *Chic.*		1
St. John Typobar Co. *N. Y.*		1
St. Joseph. Free Public Library		1
St. Louis. Auditor	2	
—— Bd. of Educ.	1	
—— City Council	1	
—— City Register	12	
—— Comptroller	2	3
—— Health Dept.	1	18
—— King's Highway Commn.	1	1
—— Police Dept.	2	
—— Tower Grove Park Commrs.		1
—— Water Commr.		20
St. Louis and San Francisco Railway		1
St. Louis Bar Assoc.	1	
St. Louis Merchants Exchange		50
St. Louis News Co.	10	4
St. Louis Provident Assoc.		1
St. Louis Training School for Nurses		1
St. Louis University		3
St. Paul. Public Library		2
Salem. Public Library		13
San Francisco. Public Library		14
San Francisco Bd. of Trade		2
Schifferdecker, J. *St. Louis*		3
Schleicher Bros. *Paris*		2
Scranton. Public Library	1	3
Seattle. Chamber of Commerce		3
Sedalia. Public Library		1
Shakespeare Memorial Library *Stratford-upon-Avon*		1
Sheldon, W. L. *St. Louis*		6
Sihler, E. G.		1
Silas Bronson Library. *Waterbury, Conn.*		8
Silk Assoc. of Amer. *N. Y.*		3
Silver, Burdett & Co. *N. Y.*	11	
Simms, *Dr.* J. *N. Y.*		1
Smith, *Rev.* A. K. *St. Louis*		13
Smith, Holmes. *St. Louis*		110
Smith Academy. *St. Louis*		2
Smith College. *Northampton, Mass.*		1
Socialist Labor Party. *N. Y.*		1
Society for the Promotion of Engineering Educ.		1
Society for the Propagation of the Faith. *Balt.*		1
Society of Colonial Wars. *N. Y.*	1	
Society of the Army of the Cumberland. *Wash.*		1
Society of the Army of the Potomac. *Brooklyn*	1	
Society of the Army of the Tennessee. *Cin*	1	
Soldan, F. L. *St. Louis*	24	
Sommerville, *Mass.* Public Library		2
Soo Pacific Line		3
South Carolina. Agric. Exp. Sta. *Clemson College*		6
South Dakota. Agric. Exp. Sta. *Brookings*		4
—— Commr. of Insurance..	2	2
—— Geol. Survey		1
South Orange, *N. J.* Free Circ. Library		1
Speck, *Mrs.* L. *St. Louis*		10
Springfield, *Mass.* City Library		11
Springfield, *Ohio.* Warder Public Library		1
Stakes, C. B. *St. Louis*	10	
Standard Theatre. *St. Louis*		70
Stechert, G. E. *N. Y.*		2
Stevens, M. L. *Asheville, N. C.*		1
Stevens, W. J. *St. Louis*		15
Stevens Institute of Technology. *Hoboken, N. J.*		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Studebaker Bros. Mfg. Co. *South Bend, Ind.*	1	4
Swarthmore College. *Swarthmore, Penn.*		1
Swedenborg Pub. Assoc. *Germantown, Penn.*		1
Syracuse. Public Library		2
Tacoma. Public Library		3
Taunton. Public Library		2
Taylor, W. B. A. *St. Louis*	1	85
Teachers' Benevolent Annuity Assoc. *St. Louis*		1
Tennessee Soc. of St. Louis		1
Terre Haute. Tuesday Lit. Club		1
Texas. Adjutant Gen.		1
—— Agric. Exp. Sta. *College Sta.*		2
Texas Academy of Sci. *Austin*		7
Texas and Pacific Railroad. *Dallas*		7
Thayer, *Judge* A. M. *St. Louis*	28	
Theosophical Book Concern. *Chic.*	1	
Thorne, *Mrs.* E. D. C. *St. Louis*		1
Toronto. Public Library		1
Trask, *Mrs.* I. R. *St. Louis*	14	
Trinity College. *Durham, N. C.*		1
Tuesday Club. *St. Louis*		2
Tucson. *Arizona Chamber of Commerce*		
Tutt, *Miss* H. *St. Louis*	29	
Ungerer, W. *St. Louis*	1	
Union Club. *St. Louis*	1	
U. S. Adj. Gen's Office	1	1
—— American Republics Bureau		12
—— Bureau of Educ.	3	3
—— Bureau of Insular Affairs	3	40
—— Bureau of Rolls and Library		2
—— Bureau of Statistics		19
—— Census Office	20	108
—— Civil Service Commn.	5	
—— Coast and Geodetic Survey	4	1
—— Commr. of Navigation	2	2
—— Comptroller of the Treasury	2	
—— Dept. of Agric.		246
—— Dept. of Justice		1
—— Dept. of Labor	2	16
—— Dept. of the Interior	1	33
—— D. C. Electrical Dept.		1
—— Documents Office	204	400
—— Forestry Div.		5
—— Geol. Survey. 125 Maps		5
—— Immigration Bur.		1
—— Indian Commrs.	1	
—— Interstate Commerce Commn.	3	
—— Library of Congress. (Also Depository Cards.)	2	8
—— Marine Hospital Service		82
—— Naval Observatory		3
—— Patent Office		1
—— Smithsonian Inst.	3	27
—— Smithsonian Inst. Bur. of Internat. Exchanges	1	81
—— State Dept.	5	35
—— Treasury Dept.	2	16
—— War Dept.	2	71
—— Weather Bur.	1	218
United Typothetae of Amer.		1
Universalist Pub. House. *Bost.*		1
University of Alabama. *Tuscaloosa*		1
University of Arizona. *Tucson*		11
University of California. *Berkeley*		14
University of Chicago		7
University of Colorado. *Boulder*		7
University of Idaho. *Moscow*		6
University of Illinois. *Champaign*		18
University of Iowa. *Iowa City*		6
University of Michigan. *Ann Arbor*		4
University of Minn. *Minneapolis*	1	7
University of Missouri. *Columbia*		18
University of Nebraska. *Lincoln*		1
University of Nevada. *Reno*		5
University of North Carolina. *Chapel Hill*		2
University of Pennsylvania. *Phil.*		3
University of Tennessee. *Knoxville*		3
University of Texas. *Austin*		1
University of the State of N. Y.	64	4
University of Vermont. *Burlington*		5
University of Virginia. *Charlottesville*		10
University of Wisconsin. *Madison*		8
University of Wyoming. *Laramie*		5
Upson-Walton Co. *Cleveland*		1
Uruguay. Bur. d' Exchanges Int. des Pub.		3
Utah. Agric. College Exp. Sta.		2
Vassar College. *Poughkeepsie, N. Y.*		1
Vanderbilt Univ. *Nashville, Tenn.*		1
Vermont. Free Public Library Commn. *Burlington*	3	4
—— State Bd. of Agric.	1	
—— State Library	10	12
Vermont Bar Assoc. *Montpelier*		1
Vest, *Hon.* G. G. *Kansas City, Mo.*		1
Victoria University		1
Vierth, F. *Cedar Rapids, Ia.*		1
Virginia State Bar Assoc. *Richmond*	1	
Von Phul, B. *St. Louis*		1
Wabash Railroad Co. *St. Louis*		5
Wagner, *Miss* S. *St. Louis*		1
Ward, (J.) & Son		1
Warren Co. Library. *Monmouth, Ill.*		4
Warvelle, G. W. *Chic.*		3
Washington, *Ind.* Carnegie Public Library		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Washington Co. Free Public Library. *Hagerstown, Md.*		1
Washington (*State*) Bur. of Labor	1	
Washington University. *St. Louis*		19
Washington University Assoc. *St. Louis*		3
Waterloo, S. *Chic.*	1	
Watertown, *Mass.* Free Public Library		1
Wednesday Club. *St. Louis*		7
Wellesley College. *Wellesley, Mass.*		1
Weltmer, *Prof.* S. A. *Nevada, Mo.*	1	
Wentworth, *Dr.* A. H. *Bost.*		1
Wesleyan University. *Middletown, Conn.*		3
Westminster, *Eng.* Public Library		1
West Virginia. Agric. Exp. Sta. *Morgantown*		5
Western Australia		1
Whitehead, *Rev.* J. *Detroit*		18
William Jewell College. *Liberty, Mo.*		1
Williams, H. *N. Y.*	1	
Williams, (J.) Bronze Foundry. *N. Y.*		2
Wilmington Institute. *Wilmington, Del.*		4
Winestone, E.	1	
Wisconsin. Free Library Commn.		13
Woburn, Mass. Public Library		2
Wolverhampton, *Eng.* Free Library Com.		1
Woman's Educ. Assoc. *Cambridge, Mass.*		1
Woman's Medical College. *Balt.*		1
Woman's Christian Assoc. of St. Louis		1
Woman's National Alliance *Bost.*		3
Wood, C. A. *Chic.*		1
Woodruff, C. R. *Phil.*		3
Worcester, *Mass.* Bd. of Trade		2
—— Free Public Library		24
Worcester Co. Law Library		1
Worcester Polytechnic Institute		2
Wright (T.) & Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Wyoming. Agric. College and Exp. Sta.	1	3
—— Auditor		1
—— Insurance Dept.		1
Xavier Free Pub. Soc. for the Blind	9	
Yale University. *New Haven, Conn*		3
Young Men's Christian Assoc. *N. Y.*		3
Young Men's Christian Assoc. *St. Louis*		1
Young Men's Christian Associations of N. A. *N. Y.*		1
Young Men's Hebrew Assoc. *N. Y.*		1
Young Women's Christian Assoc. *N. Y.*		2

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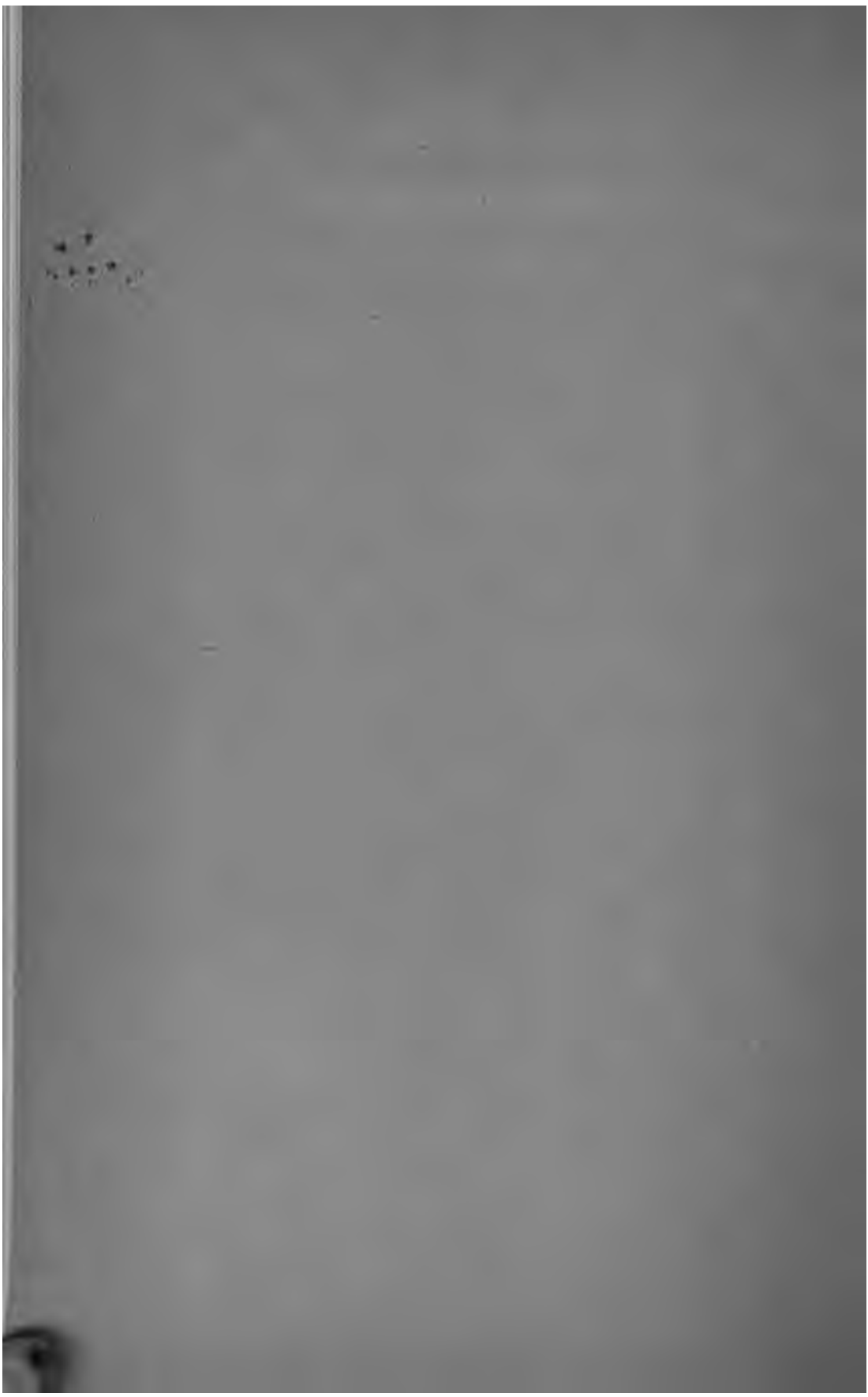
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ST. LOUIS, MO., February 20, 1905.

Hon. Rolla Wells,
Mayor of the City of St. Louis, City.

DEAR SIR:

Enclosed herewith find report of Frederick M. Crunden, Librarian, showing the operations of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library for the year ending April 30th, 1904.

Very respectfully yours,

F. W. LEHMANN,
President of Board of Directors.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library:

I have the honor to submit herewith my eleventh annual report, covering the tenth year of the operation and setting forth the growth and activities of the Public Library for the year ending April 30, 1904. The financial status of the institution and the transactions of the year are shown in detail in the subjoined statement of receipts and expenditures. In a summary of this table the more important facts are as follows:

The total amount received from the city tax of two-fifths of a mill was $173,064.63, an increase of $6,510.13 over the previous year.

The desk receipts (for fines, issue of extra books, etc.) amounted to $6,324.46, a trifling gain over the previous year, which, however, showed an increase of $450 over the year before.

The rental from the Olive and Locust Street property was $15,417.83, an increase of $3,131.12 over the preceding year.

Of the sum subscribed for the purchase of the Exposition property, the contributors paid in last year $58,250. The rent of the premises was $28,000. Against this there was, as shown in the table, a considerable charge for taxes, salaries, insurance, repairs, etc., amounting to over $7,000.

The expenditure for books was $11,774.75, —— $4,412.53 less than that of the previous year; for binding, $4,196.05, also less than the previous year by $1,632.59. The bills for periodicals amounted to $1,269.82, not quite a hundred dollars in excess of the previous year.

In March our lease on the present quarters was renewed for two years. The increase in the rent from $7,500 to $10,000 a year applied to the last two months of this year, raising the total to $7,916.68.

The expense of transportation was increased $209, chiefly by the employment of a fourth wagon (for work in the schools) during the last few months of the year.

The chief items in the furniture and repairs account were $607 for card cabinets, desks and trucks, and $170 for lumber for shelving.

The financial transaction of greatest magnitude was the payment of principal and interest notes on Block 510, amounting to $182,247.19.

In addition to this, $19,131.36 was paid on the Exposition property, freeing that from all debt.

Finally, of the total outlay of $208,908.54, the sum of $68,219.70 was expended for the conduct and maintenance of the Library (including the cost of books, periodicals and binding); and $212,688.84 was invested in real estate or expended on its care, — insurance, repairs, taxes, salaries, etc. The total expenditure for maintenance the preceding year was $69,261.92, the largest sum thus far expended. If, however, the usual number of books had been bought this year, the total expenditure would, as was to be expected, have exceeded that of the year previous. As will be explained later, the purchase of books must be more or less curtailed until more room is obtained.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 13, 1904.

DR.

To Balance in City Treasury, April 13, 1903	$ 18,909 09	
Collections, April 14, 1903 — April 11, 1904	173,064 63	$191,973 72
Balance in Bank Fund, April, 1903		8,549 66
Balance in Contingent Fund		93 02
Collection of Duplicates,		
Books and magazines issued	1,925 45	
Fines	3,493 89	
Books sold, lost and paid for	293 85	
Catalogues	148 15	
Lost cards	260 80	
Postals	21 76	
Miscellaneous	185 56	6,329 46
Rent collections		15,417 83
Interest		239 97
Exposition Site,		
Rent	$28,000 00	
Subscriptions	58,250 00	
Salvage and Insurance Rebate	65 80	
		86,315 80
		$308,918 96

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By Salaries		$ 32,898 86
Books, Main Collection	$11,018 44	
Collection of Duplicates	756 31	
Binding	4,196 05	
Periodicals, Main Collection	992 55	
Coll. of Duplicates	277 27	17,240 62
Rent	7,916 68	
Insurance	910 00	
Furniture and repairs	1,346 03	10,172 71
Expense,		
Printing and Stationery	2,838 03	
Transportation, Del. Sta. $3,076 03		
Schools 195 00	3,271 03	
Postage	378 03	
Sundries	1,255 02	
Supplies	155 90	
Advertising	10 00	7,908 01
Real Estate, City Block 510; 17th, 18th, Olive & Locust Sts.,		
Principal and interest notes	182,247 19	
Insurance	613 84	
Repairs and commissions	3,196 68	
Taxes, Sprinkling	82 87	186,140 58
Exposition Site,		
Note and interest	19,131 36	
Taxes, Power House	1,899 29	
Sprinkling	92 88	
Salaries	1,500 00	
Expense	354 31	
Repairs	418 86	
Insurance	2,959 5	26,356 20
Wm. Barr Lot,		
Transfer	5 00	
Sprinkling taxes	187 06	192 06
Total Expenditures		$280,908 54
Balance in City Treasury, April 11, 1904		10,388 54
Balance in Bank Fund		17,477 95
Balance in Contingent Fund		113 93
		$308,918 96

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, to APRIL, 1904.

RECEIPTS.

	Exposition Site	City Collections	Desk Receipts	Rent	Insurance	Misc.	Total
1894		$ 49,773 52	113 66				49,887 18
1895		59,035 80	2,593 26			3 41	61,632 47
1896		61,929 51	3,649 98	482 79		87 96	66,150 24
1897		64,663 32	3,741 31	1,879 56		187 72	70,471 91
1898		67,638 45	3,839 86	1,480 00		424 81	73,383 12
1899		71,340 13	3,901 72	12,328 55	39,742 72*	476 24	127,789 36
1900		73,781 47	4,392 48	12,945 50		51 98	91,171 43
1901		75,727 18	5,095 81	13,501 46		398 23	94,722 68
1902		149,321 24	5,852 79	11,649 13		204 75	167,027 91
1903	$76,443 69	166,554 50	6,302 87	12,286 71		626 79	262,214 56
1904	86,315 30	173,064 63	6,324 46	15,417 83		244 97	281,367 19
Total	$162,758 99	1,012,829 75	45,808 20	81,971 53	39,742 72	2,706 86	1,345,818 05

EXPENDITURES.

	Exposition Site	Maintenance	Real Estate	Total
1894		$2,876 19		$2,876 19
1895		43,305 69		43,305 69
1896		52,318 45	40,900 00	93,218 45
1897		48,738 69	24,872 58	73,611 27
1898		58,051 90	29,972 00	88,023 90
1899		55,811 21	88,347 95	144,159 16
1900		45,789 48	36,973 36	82,762 84
1901		53,687 33	35,366 34	89,053 67
1902		67,623 32	36,801 44	104,424 76
1903	$217,405 33	69,261 92	28,795 91	315,463 16
1904	26,273 08	68,224 70	186,410 76	280,908 54
Total	$243,678 41	565,688 88	508,440 34	1,317,807 63

Balance in City Treasury, April 11, 1904	$ 10,388 54
Balance in Bank Fund	17,477 95
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1904	143 93
	$1,345,818 05

* For houses on City Block 510 burned immediately after the purchase of the property.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

Before taking up the various departments in detail a brief summary is here given of the leading statistics contained in the report:

The collection was increased by the addition of 15,414 volumes, duly catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for use. Of these, 2,327 were gifts. The total included 332 volumes in German, 98 in French, 356 in Russian and 121 in various other languages.

The donations for the year numbered 3,144 volumes, 7,289 pamphlets, from 1,019 different sources. A complete list of donors is presented in an appendix.

The registered readers numbered, at the close of the year, 59,476. Particulars will be found under the department.

The total number of books and periodicals issued during the year was 1,294,498, a gain of 56,867 over the previous year. The number of books drawn for home and school reading was 939,623. Books used in the Library numbered 111,662, and periodicals 243,213. Full details appear later in tabular form.

REGISTRATION.

The registration for the year numbered 19,977 names. Of these 13,476 were registered for the first time and 6,501 were renewals, in accordance with the rule which requires a re-registration at the end of every three years. In addition to the regular reader's card, 1,742 "extra" (non-fiction) cards were issued and 294 "teachers'" cards, 13,435 cards that had been filled were replaced by new ones; and 1,491 were lost and new ones paid for. Guaranties to the number of 86 were withdrawn or cancelled; and 3,621 addresses were changed. All this involved an amount of clerical work that cannot be indicated by a mere statement of the figures. The name of every applicant for a card and of every guarantor must be looked up in the directory and every cardholder assigned to his ward; and all the records must be kept with the greatest accuracy, in order to avoid annoyance and loss of time to the library and to the public. Detailed statistics of the registration follow:

REGISTRATION.

Total cards in force, April 30, 1903	58,961	
Registered May 1, 1903 — April 30, 1904	13,476	72,437
Cards expiring to April 30, 1904	19,462	
Less re-registered	6,501	12,961
		59,476

Total cards in force April 30, 1904:		
Men	15,347	
Women	16,748	
Children	27,319	
Institutions	62	59,476

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1904.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	523	11	545	21	761
2	441	12	880	22	1,162
3	553	13	728	23	522
4	446	14	284	24	1,235
5	240	15	389	25	1,098
6	480	16	374	26	1,087
7	403	17	559	27	1,009
8	414	18	675	28	1,736
9	587	19	787	Suburban	429
10	930	20	693		
				Total	19,977

TOTAL REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	1,518	11	1,388	21	2,064
2	1,900	12	1,504	22	3,233
3	2,363	13	2,457	23	1,112
4	1,230	14	1,009	24	3,175
5	743	15	1,342	25	3,503
6	1,837	16	1,818	26	3,488
7	1,340	17	2,480	27	2,583
8	1,707	18	1,673	28	4,362
9	2,415	19	1,972	Suburban	596
10	3,176	20	1,493		
				Total	59,476

The above figures bear striking evidence of the growth of the city towards the west. The three wards that have the largest registration lie entirely west of Grand Avenue, the city limit of twenty-eight years ago. The 28th ward leads all others, with a registration of 4,362. This ward begins at 43d Street (Boyle Avenue) and extends west to the city limits, bounded on the north by Page Boulevard and on the south by Oakland Avenue. This is a large area; but to an old resident it is rather astonishing that the ward that furnishes the largest number of readers by a considerable excess over any other, *begins* at 43d Street, three miles or more from the Library and a mile beyond the former western limit of the city.

The ward that ranks next, but with nearly a thousand names less (3,503) is the 25th, which lies directly east of the 28th; but it does not extend as far east as Grand Avenue, with Cook Avenue and the Pacific R. R. tracks for northern and southern limits.

Next comes the 26th ward with practically the same number, 3,488. Its limits are Cook Avenue on the south and St. Louis Avenue on the north; and nearly all of it lies west of Vandeventer Avenue.

The 22d ward follows, with a registration of 3,233. This ward extends from 22d Street on the east to Grand Avenue on the west, and from Easton to Laclede.

Then comes the 10th ward, with 3,176, and the 24th, with 3,175. The 10th extends along the river front from Potomac Street on the north to Osceola on the south and along Grand from Osceola to Arsenal, with a small corner as far north as Magnolia and Sidney. The 24th covers the huge area from Grand Avenue to the western limit of the city and from Eichelberger Street on the south to Oakland Avenue on the north. It contains Tower Grove Park and Shaw's Garden. We have been accustomed to think of it as a region of market gardens; but it evidently has a considerable population, to rank in readers sixth among the wards of the city. These six wards are all that have a registration above 3,000.

The facts revealed by these statistics have a certain interest in themselves; but their chief interest lies in their significance. They show that the Library is most used by the residents of the central and west-central district of the city, extending from 22d Street west and spreading fan-like as it goes. In this region live a great majority of the commercial and professional classes who come to the central down-town district for their daily vocations and for their shopping. This part of the city has on every occasion furnished the largest favorable vote on library propositions. They have, however, always been strongly reinforced by the down-town wards. At the last election, on the question of the acceptance of the terms of Mr. Carnegie's gift, the largest majority for acceptance was given by the 4th ward, that in which the Library is situated. The obvious reason for the smaller registration in this ward is the smaller number of residents it contains and the larger proportion of the "floating population;" but while the residents of this district are not so likely to become cardholders and home readers, they constitute a large proportion of the thousands who use the reading rooms. The ward statistics show, as was to be expected, that the central library is most used by that portion of the community to which, from proximity and habits of life, it is most accessible. The vote shows, as was also to be expected, that those who are best acquainted with the Library and have received most benefit from it are most willing to vote appropriations for its maintenance and enlargement. And the lesson of it all is that branches are needed to carry the influence of the Library into parts of the city, whose residents transact all the

affairs of life in the immediate neighborhood and who do not have sufficient desire for reading to induce them to go to any trouble to get books. Books and reading rooms must be carried to them, as are groceries and clothes and all the other necessities of life. Our delivery stations have done and are doing much; but branches are necessary to realize the possibilities of a public library system. It should be, and in the near future will be, not the St. Louis Public Library but the St. Louis Public *Libraries*, just as it is the St. Louis Public *Schools*.

CATALOGUE AND ORDER DEPARTMENT.

A smaller number of books was added to the collection this year than in any of the three years preceding. There were several contributing causes, the principal being lack of shelf room. While the Library is in its present crowded quarters, purchases must be confined chiefly to two classes: books of merit in every-day demand, and books of permanent value that may be obtained at a bargain.

The additions for the year amounted to 15,414, of which 356 were in the Russian language, 332 German, 98 French and 121 in other foreign languages. The number added by purchase was 12,270, — 2,344 less than the last year. The number added by donation was 2,327, or 1,144 more than last year.

The German Fiction Catalogue appeared in the early part of the year, the work of preparation having been largely done before the close of last year.

The Monthly Bulletin was issued on time throughout the year, a change of type in March giving it a much handsomer appearance.

23,117 new cards were written and inserted in the various catalogues. Of this number, 1,108 were printed cards obtained from the Library of Congress, the Library Bureau, Publishers' Weekly and English History cards. In December the Library increased its subscription from three to four copies of each card of a selected list of Library of Congress cards. Such cards in the classed catalogue as have been soiled through use and soot have been copied in classes *1–40* inclusive.

In addition to the 23,117 cards mentioned above, 20,997 shelf-list cards have been written and inserted. These included the shelf-list cards in classes *30–68sp*, which were copied on the small standard size card for the purpose of economizing space.

The work of this department has been carried on effectively in spite of difficulties caused by the crowded condition of the catalogue room and the enforced separation of the staff into two sections more than a hundred feet apart.

GERMAN COLLECTION.

Owing to the fact that books in the German language are scattered through the various classes according to the subjects of which they treat, only a rough estimate has heretofore been made of the total number of German books in the Library. An actual count made this year shows that we have about 12,500 volumes distributed by class and room as follows: —

Classes	Circulating Books	Reference Books	Totals
Philosophy	176	6	182
Religion	138	16	154
Social Science	402	309	711
Natural Science	820	1,026	1,846
Art and Poetry	745	169	914
Fiction	4,720		4,720
Juvenile	440	3	443
Literary Miscellany	878	238	1,116
Geography, History and Biography	1,041	108	1,149
Cyclopaedias and Magazines	35	1,063	1,098
Total	9,395	2,938	12,333
Additions, February — April			100
Total, April 30			12,433

The additions for the year, divided by class, language and source, are given in the following table: —

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30th, 1904.

Classes	Reg. Library	Coll. of Duplicates	Totals
Philosophy	94		94
Religion	689		689
Social Science	1,596		1,596
Natural Science	1,188		1,188
Art and Poetry	1,013	2	1,015
Fiction	1,646	724	2,370
Juvenile Literature	5,724	6	5,730
Literary Miscellany	614	6	620
Travels and History	812		812
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	1,300		1,300
	14,676	738	15,414

Source			
Purchase	11,532	738	12,270
Gift	2,327		2,327
Pamphlets, bound	116		116
Periodicals, bound	701		701
	14,676	738	15,414
Language			
English	13,769	738	14,507
French	98		98
German	332		332
Russian	356		356
Other	121		121
	14,676	738	15,414

Periodicals to complete sets, 1,630.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC.

Withdrawn		5,099
Lost and paid for		236
Burned on account of contagious disease		1
Sold		2
Charged to borrowers and not returned:		
For reading-room use	12	
For home use	80	92
Total		5,430
Total additions	15,414	
Less above	5,494	
Net increase	9,920	

Of the 5,099 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 2,356 were replaced by new copies, as were also 78 volumes out of 236 lost and paid for.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

In my last annual report I gave a detailed statement of the inventory taken in the spring of 1903, showing how many volumes were in each class and room and the total of the collection. Taking this as a basis, and adding the net increase of the year, we obtain the total contents at the end of this year.

Total contents of the Library, April 30, 1903	165,658
Net increase, May 1, 1903 — April 30, 1904	9,920
Total contents, April 30, 1904	175,578

Among the noteworthy additions of the year, a list of which is appended, attention is called to the dictionaries bought in answer to the increased demand caused by the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. A scrutiny of these lists from year to year will show that books on the Fine Arts nearly always lead, as is to be expected from their higher average cost. This year, however, the two works of highest price and greatest note are not classed in Art, though their chief interest for the general reader is in that domain. They are Cesnola's *Descriptive Atlas of the Cesnola Collection*, which has been twenty years in preparation, and Brinkley's *Japan*, a work in ten folio volumes. These volumes are profusely and exquisitely illustrated in color by Japanese artists. The books are readable as well as beautiful and contain a great amount of useful information regarding the social and business life of this progressive people.

SOME NOTEWORTHY ADDITIONS: ARRANGED IN ORDER OF CLASS.

MYERS, F. W. H. Human personality. 1903. 4a
NEVIN, A. Encyclopaedia of the Presbyterian Church of the U. S. [pref. 1884.] Ref. 6a
BUTLER, C. H. Treaty making power of the U. S. 1902. 2 v. Ref. 23a
OSTROGORSKI, M. Democracy. 1902. 2 v. 26
REEVES, W. P. State experiments in Australia. 1902. 2 v. 26a
KELLY'S directory of merchants, manufacturers and shippers. [1903.] 30c
MOODY, J., *ed.* Moody's manual of corporation securities. 1903. 30d
SMITH, H. J. Smith's financial dictionary. 1903. Ref. 30d
DALE, J. H. v. Van Dale's groot woordenboek. 1898. Ref. 34
STEINGASS, F. English-Arabic dictionary — Arabic-Eng. dictionary. Ref. 34
REAL Acad. Español. Diccionario de la lengua castellana. 1899. Ref. 34e
PETROCCHI, P. Novo dizionario univ. della lingua italiana. 1902. Ref. 34f
MICHAELIS, H. New Dictionary of Portuguese. 1893. 2 v. 34p
GUNSAULUS, F. W., *ed.* Reference library; modern engineering. 1903. 10 v. 40
BAKER, I. O. Treatise on roads and pavements. 1903. 40a
WEBB, W. L. Railroad construction. 1903. 40a
BURGOYNE, A. H. Submarine navigation. 1903. 2 v. 40e
FLEMING, J. A. Handbook for the electrical laboratory [pref. 1901.] v. 1. 43
CHARPENTIER, P. Timber. 1902. 49b
CESNOLA, L. P. di. Descriptive atlas of the Cesnola coll. 1885–1903. 3 v. Ref. 51a
FOWKE, G. Archaeological history of Ohio. 1902. 51a
GARDNER, E. A. Ancient Athens. 1902. 51a
SADTLER, S. P., *and* Coblentz, V. Text-book of chemistry. [c1898–1900.] 2v. Mc3

ELLIS, G. Modern practical joinery. 1902. 61b
BEACH, E. E., *and* Thorne, W. W. American business and accounting encyclopaedia. [c1901.] 2 v. 62a
CHITTENDEN, H. M. History of early navigation on the Missouri. 2 v. 1903. 62c
MACCOLL, D. S. 19th century art. 1902. Ref. 65
BRANDON, R., *and* J. A. Analysis of Gothic architecture. 1903. 2 v. Ref. 65a
MURRAY, A. S. Sculptures of the Parthenon. 1903. 65b
TAFT, L. History of American sculpture. 1904. Ref. 65b
BEHRENS, C. Bluethe und Frucht in dekorativer Anordnung. Ser 1. Ref. 65c
BELL, Mrs. N. E. (M.) Masterpieces of the great artists. 1895. Ref. 65c
KONODY, P. G. Art of Walter Crane. 1902. Ref. 65c
THOMPSON, D. C. Barbizon school of painters. 1902. Ref. 65c
WYLLIE, W. L. Nature's laws and making pictures. 1903. 65c
BAILEY, L. H. Nature portraits. 1903. Ref. 65e
HESSLING, E., *ed.* Decorative und monumentale Malereien. v. 1. n. d. Ref. 65e
HOLME, C. Representative art of our time. 1903. Ref. 65e
HUGHES, R. Musical guide. 1903. 2 v. 65f
OXFORD history of music. v. 1, 3-4. 1901-2. 65f
SHAKESPEARE. Book of Shakespeare's songs. 1903. 65f
ALFORD, M., *Lady*. Needlework as art. 1886. Ref. 65g
BURTON, W. History and description of English porcelain. 1902. Ref. 65g
CATTELLE, W. R. Precious stones. 1903. 65g
GIBB, E. J. W. History of Ottoman poetry. 1900-2. 66a
BROWN, T. A. History of the New York stage. 1903. 3 v. Ref. 66b
YEATMAN. The gentle Shakespeare. n. d. 67d1
AMERICAN caricatures. n. d. Ref. 72c
BREWER, D. J., *ed.* World's best orations. 1900-2. 10 v. 74
LEE, G. C. World's orators. 1901. 10 v. 74
BREWER, D. J., *and others, eds.* Crowned masterpieces of literature. 1902. 10 v. [Same as Best Essays.] 75
GARNETT, R. English literature. v. 1-4. 1904. 4 v. Ref. 77b
EVANS, C. American bibliography. v. 1. 1903. Ref. 78b
HATIN, L. E. Histoire politique et litteraire de la presse en France. 1859-61. 8 v. Ref. 78b
ABRUZZI, *Duke*. On the Polar Star. 1903. 82c
FILIPPI, F. de. Ascent of Mt. St. Elias by the Duke of Abruzzi. 1900. 83c
SANTA ANNA NERY, F. G. de. Land of the Amazons. 1901. 83f
HAGGARD, H. R. Rural England. 1902. 2 v. 84a
ABBOTT, G. F. Tale of a tour in Macedonia. 1903. 84h
BRINKLEY, F., *ed.* Japan. [c1897.] 10 v. Ref. 85d
DAVIDSON, J. W. Island of Formosa. 1903. 85d
SANDERSON, E., *and others*. The world's history and its makers. 1901-2. 10 v. 89
THATCHER, O. J., *ed.* Ideas that have influenced civilization. [c1901-2.] 10 v. 89
FORTIER, A. History of Louisiana. 1904. 4 v. Ref. 91
LEE, G. C., *ed.* History of North America. v. 1-2. [c1903.] 91

SPEARS, J. R., *and* Clark, A. H. History of the Mississippi Valley. 1903. 91
LEE, F. B. New Jersey. 1902. 4 v. 91d
STANARD, W. G., *and* M. N. Colonial Virginia register. 1902. 91d
THOMSON, A. M. Political history of Wisconsin. 1902. 91d
HENNEPIN, L. New discovery of a vast country in America. 1903. 2 v. 92
CLEMENT, C. E. Rome. [c1896.] 2 v. 94a
CASTIGLIONE, B. Book of the courtier. 1902. 96
SEYMOUR, W. W. The cross in tradition. 1898. 96
ABBOTT, E. A. St. Thomas of Canterbury. 1898. 2 v. 97b
ANNUAL Burns Chronicle. 1-12. 1892-1903. Ref. 97b
ARMSTRONG, E. Emperor Charles V. 1902. 2 v. 97b
BERNARD, *St.* Life and works by Mabillon. n. d. 2 v. 97b
CARLYLE, *Mrs.* J. W. New letters and memorials. 1903. 2 v. 97b
CHAMPNEYS, B. Memoirs and correspondence of Coventry Patmore. 1900. 97b
DARWIN, C. R. More letters. 1903. 2 v. 97b
FURNISS, H. Confessions of a caricaturist. [c1901.] 97b
HAMILTON, S. M. Letters to Washington. 1898–1903. 5 v. 97b
HENSMAN, H. Cecil Rhodes. 1902. 97b
HOAR, G. F. Autobiography of 70 years. 1903. 2 v. 97b
PAGET, *Sir* A. Paget papers. 1896. 2 v. 97b
WOLSELEY, G. J. Story of a soldier's life. 1903. 2 v. 97b
PITTMAN, *Mrs.* H. D., *ed.* Americans of gentle birth. v. 1. 1903. Ref. 97c
POPE, C. H. Pioneers of Massachusetts. 1900. Ref. 97c
UNIVERSITY Encyclopedia; ed. by McCracken. 1902. 10 v. 97a

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES.

The donations and exchanges for the year amounted to 3,144 volumes and 7,289 pamphlets, an increase of 1,619 volumes and 1,230 pamphlets over the large list of last year. A complete list of gifts and exchanges with names of donors is given in an appendix. Copies of our English and German fiction catalogues have been sent to about eighty libraries; and our monthly bulletin and annual report to all of the large and to many of the small libraries, particularly those in neighboring states.

BINDING.

The number of volumes sent to the binder for first binding was 2,455, an increase of 1,036 over last year. The cost averaged 67 cents per volume. The increase of three cents in price was probably due to the binding of a greater proportion of large volumes than last year. 7,833 volumes were rebound at a cost of $3,347.55, an average of 43 cents per volume; and 1,412 volumes were repaired at a cost of $363.75, an average of 25 cents per volume. There were also 10,287

volumes repaired in the Library, the repairs ranging from patching or inserting a few leaves to supplying new covers. These cost, on an average, four cents a volume for salary and material.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

RECORDS AND NOTICES.

Like the registration division, this sub-department comprises within its purview a large amount of routine work. Here are gathered all the business details of the circulation department. The recovery of overdue books, the recording and collating of statistics, correspondence with card-holders, rewriting of book cards, typewriting book lists, the ordering, care and distribution of stationery and supplies, and numberless odds and ends, each item, seemingly of little importance in itself, but in the aggregate a most important factor in the successful operation of the Library. This work for the most part is done by 'prentice hands, for here it is that the newcomer enters the service and under the direction of the clerk in charge (an experienced assistant), learns the first lessons of system and order and attention to detail, which form the foundation of future fitness for higher work.

In the daily routine come the rewriting of the book cards (the first card is written in the cataloguing room) and the sending of notices for books overdue. During the year 41,521 book cards were rewritten and 17,630 notices were sent for overdue books, — 13,280 first notices, 3,498 second and 852 third. Among the chief items of other routine correspondence were 2,218 notices regarding books in infected houses, directing holders to hand them over to the health officers;* 985 notices of books reserved, and 1,254 miscellaneous notices, besides many letters of greater or less length supplying information or straightening out difficulties or answering minor complaints. All serious complaints (an exceedingly small number) and requests for bibliographical or general information go directly to the Librarian for reply.

From this department, naturally, the messenger is sent to recover books for which three notices (two of them sealed) have previously been sent. Last year the messenger called for 292 volumes. All of

* The Health Commissioner sends to the Library every day a list of the houses posted. To every one of these the following notice is sent:

The Board of Health reports a case of in your family. If you have any Library books in your possession please do not return them to the Library or ask for others until your house and books have been fumigated.

To avoid all possible chances of contagion a copy of this circular is sent to all households reported by the Health Department. If you have a library book now kindly let us have author and number immediately.

Failure to observe the foregoing requests will be a sufficient cause for the permanent withdrawal of library privileges.

these were recovered except 44. These were drawn by persons who had left the neighborhood (and in many cases the city) and could not be traced.

CIRCULATION.

Last year's report noted an increase of 155,261 in the issue of books and periodicals over the issue of the year before. This year shows a farther gain of 56,867. Though the World's Fair was not formally opened till just at the close of this year, it was anticipated that its attractions, even during the formative period, would lessen the amount of reading done, and that the record of the year would show an actual decrease in circulation instead of the steady increase which has marked successive years from the outset. It is found that any excitement or distraction from the ordinary routine lessens the demand for books. For example, Christmas occupations make December a lighter month than November; and September, when parents and teachers and pupils are all busy with preparations for school and for the coming season, is usually the lightest month of the year. What may be called the steady reading season does not begin until after January 1st; and March is the culminating month. How great the drop may be in April depends on the weather. If St. Louis were in the latitude of St. Paul, at least ten, probably twenty, possibly thirty per cent more books would be read.

My anticipation of a decrease in circulation was based on the reasons above given, strengthened by the fact that such result was noted in Buffalo and Chicago during their World's Fair seasons. The Chicago report for 1892–93 makes this statement:

"The circulation has decreased somewhat from that of last year. This phenomenon, an exception to the showing of all previous reports, finds its explanation in the preparation for and the opening of the Columbian Exposition."

The Buffalo Public Library reports a decrease of 14,785 in the total circulation with the comment,

"This is a very small reduction, when the distractions of the Pan-American year are considered."

The growth of this Library in popularity and usefulness has been a steady, uninterrupted progress. This is plainly shown by the table exhibiting the issue for each of the ten years of its existence. The issue for home reading has increased gradually, by fairly even steps, from 331,000 (to use even numbers) in 1894, to 939,000 in 1904; the use of books in the Library from 40,000 to 111,000; periodicals,

from 165,000 to 243,000. The home issue has all but trebled; the rate of increase in the library issue is nearly the same; while the reading-room issue, though it has gained more than 75,000, has not doubled. There is a ready explanation for this, in the fact that the reading-room was always free. So, to be sure, was the reference use of books; but so long as there was a subscription fee required for full privileges, the Library was not known as the property of the people; and those privileges that were entirely free were not so widely used. The most rapid increase naturally took place the first year the Library was made free, when (though the year included only ten months) the number of registered readers increased from four or five thousand to 24,000, and the books drawn for home reading from 121,000 to 331,000. In the second year (the first full year) the home issue was very nearly quadrupled. Full particulars regarding the issue are given in the following tables. In the first table the issue for the year is so classed as to show the proportion of the total circulation that went through each agency of distribution. It is noteworthy that of the total home issue numbering 939,623 volumes, more than half, 476,922, were delivered through the several outside agencies; and also that of the 371,346 volumes drawn by adults at the Library, 206,002, or 55 per cent, were chosen by readers from the open shelves.

ISSUE STATISTICS.

Home Issue.		
Main Desk		165,344
Open Shelves, Miscellaneous	168,696	
Collection of Duplicates	37,306	206,002
Juvenile Department.		
Drawn from Library	91,365	
Supplementary Reading	144,818	
Depositories	54,647	290,830
Delivery Stations		277,447
Total Home Issue		939,623
Total Library Issue		111,662
Total Issue of Books		1,051,285
Total Issue of Periodicals		243,213
Total Issue in all departments		1,294,498

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	HOME ISSUE.						
	MAIN LIBRARY	DELIVERY STATIONS	SCHOOLS AND DEPOSITORIES	TOTAL	LIBRARY	PERIODICALS	TOTALS
May.....	35,683	25,781	21,719	83,183	7,340	19,696	110,219
June.....	35,284	27,686	60	63,030	6,134	17,767	86,931
July	32,635	16,738		49,373	6,066	12,602	68,041
August....	34,493	15,667		50,160	6,700	11,895	68,755
September	35,026	16,210	2,186	53,422	5,799	13,101	72,322
October...	38,973	22,545	10,713	72,231	7,204	18,530	97,965
November.	39,764	23,492	18,767	82,023	10,812	23,039	115,874
December.	38,493	22,885	21,709	83,087	11,379	24,542	119,008
January...	42,362	21,788	23,376	87,526	13,067	26,810	127,403
February..	44,149	23,843	25,798	93,790	13,529	25,513	132,832
March	45,992	30,520	34,906	111,418	13,203	26,043	150,664
April.....	39,857	30,292	40,231	110,380	10,429	23,675	144,484
Total	462,711	277,447	199,465	939,623	111,662	243,213	1,294,498
1903	477,045	285,423	140,300	902,768	101,971	232,892	1,237,631
Loss	14,334	7,976					
or Gain			59,165	36,855	9,691	10,321	56,867

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	HOME ISSUE	PER CENT	LIBRARY ISSUE	PER CENT	TOTAL ISSUE OF BOOKS	PER CENT
Philosophy	3,092	.33	1,236	1.10	4,328	.41
Religion.....	4,104	.43	4,408	3.94	8,512	.80
Soc. Science.....	8,516	.90	15,789	14.14	24,305	2.31
Natural "	19,103	2.03	14,539	13.02	33,642	3.20
Art.....	5,087	.55	9,333	8.35	14,420	1.37
Poetry.....	12,666	1.35	3,790	3.39	16,456	1.56
Fiction	417,899	44.48	9,627	8.62	427,526	40.66
Coll. of Dup.....	37,306	3.97			37,306	3 54
Juvenile.....	373,044	39.71	2,024	1.81	375,068	35.67
Lit. Misc.....	15,831	1.68	6,130	5.49	21,961	2.09
Travels.....	9,126	.97	5,292	4.73	14,418	1.37
History.....	17,388	1.85	8,489	7.60	25,877	2.46
Biographies	8,283	.88	6,899	6.17	15,182	1.44
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals.....	8,178	.87	24,106	21 58	32,284	3.07
Total.....	939,623	100.00	111,662	100 00	1,051,285	100.00

SUMMARIES.	1902–1903.	1903–1904.
Home issue, regular library	859,835	902,317
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	42,933	37,306
	902,768	939,623
Library issue	101,971	111,662
Total issue of books	1,004,739	1,051,285
Reading-room issue	232,892	243,213
Total issue in all departments	1,237,631	1,294,498
Gain in 1903–1904 over 1902–'03		56,876

LARGEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 1904.

Main desk	1,150
Open shelves	1,288
Juvenile	885
Delivery stations	877
Total home issue	4,200
Library issue	708
Reading room issue	1,005
Total issue in all departments	5,913

SMALLEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, THURSDAY, AUGUST 20, 1903.

Main desk	862
Open shelves	489
Juvenile	237
Delivery stations	519
Total home issue	1,607
Library issue	266
Reading room issue	358
Total issue in all departments	2,231

LARGEST SUNDAY ISSUE, MARCH 13, 1904.

Library issue	205
Reading room issue	451
Total	656

SMALLEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JULY 22, 1903.

Library issue	39
Reading room issue	116
Total	195

TOTAL SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	4,902
Reading room issue	16 377
Total	21,279

AVERAGE SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	94
Reading room issue	315
Total	409

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,001
Library issue	307
Reading room	666
Total	3,974

AVERAGE WEEK DAY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,002
Library issue	341
Reading room issue	724
Total	4,067

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1903–1904.

	HOME.	LIBRARY.	R. R.	TOTAL.
Decoration Day	2,118	290	695	3,103
April 30, 1904	1,426	99	392	1,917
Fourth of July	212	30	355	597
Labor Day	1,193	184	375	1,752
Thanksgiving	505	174	935	1,614
Christmas		46	402	448
New Year's Day	115	174	790	1,079
Washington's Birthday	2,501	538	973	4,012
Total	8,070	1,535	4,917	14,522
Average	1,009	192	615	1,815

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE

'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00	'00–'01	'01–'02	'02–'03	'03–'04
11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984	35,816	41,263	42,933	37,806

TOTAL ISSUE BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94–'95	'95–'96	'96–'97	'97–'98	'98–'99	'99–'00	'00–'01	'01–'02	'02–'03	'03–'04
Home..	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,339	707,823	740,179	778,507	902,768	939,628
Ref. and Library..	40,628	46,052	51,240	69,070	65,782	69,966	70,606	95,106	101,971	111,662
Reading Room ...	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,783	201,896	187,812	208,757	232,892	243,218
Total	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675	998,597	1,082,370	1,287,631	1,294,498

REFERENCE.

With open shelves in our Reference Room it is impossible to obtain an accurate count of the books consulted; but the recorded issue of this year was 86,835 volumes, a gain of 4,373 over the last year, which showed a gain of nearly 8,000 over the previous year.

The three assistants in this department have charge of the exchanges and donations, recording and acknowledging them. They also care for some hundred art and scientific periodicals, which find their proper shelves in the Reference Department. Further, they have charge of the pamphlet collection, arranging and cataloguing pamphlets as they come in, and from time to time making up volumes for binding.

The pamphlet continuations, consisting of reports, bulletins or catalogues received from all of the departments of the United States Government, the several states and foreign countries, also from the larger cities, universities, societies and libraries, have this year been re-arranged and the boxes labeled so that the shelves may be easily read.

The index to illustrations has been enlarged considerably. It is the intention to include in this card index any good illustrations, such as flowers, animals, portraits, seals, noted buildings, costumes or reproductions of works of art, particularly when found in places where one would least expect to seek them. Moreover, in cases where an illustration might be supposed to exist in a particular volume, the specific reference to page is a great time-saver. Naturally such an index is an interminable piece of work, but it is done in odd moments; and,

as many of the subjects are required over and over again, the index has already been of great service.

A card index to recitations, the work of odd times for years past, has been largely, but not wholly, superseded by Granger's Index to Poetry and Recitations. Upon receipt of this book, the cards for references given in it were withdrawn; and the cards remaining form a supplement to the printed Index.

The following table gives by months the recorded use of books in the Reference Room:

RECORDED USE OF BOOKS IN REFERENCE ROOM.

	1902-03	1903-04		1902-03	1903-04
May	5,678	5,913	November	9,114	8,918
June	4,645	4,986	December	7,316	8,840
July	4,578	4,880	January	9,104	9,785
August	4,866	5,214	February	9,196	10,237
September	3,815	4,238	March	9,195	10,291
October	6,955	5,481	April	8,000	8,022
				82,462	86,835

DELIVERY STATIONS.

There were issued through the stations 277,447 books, a decrease of 7,976 compared with last year. Station 14, Pestalozzi and Salina, continues our largest station, with an issue of 16,459. This is followed by No. 30, Leffingwell and Cass, with 12,486; No. 25, Lafayette and California, 9,558; No. 33, Goode and Easton, 9,136; No. 22, Grand and Finney, 9,085. These include all that exceed 9,000 volumes.

There were issued through the Central High School 24,501 books, and through the McKinley High School, 1,581. At the Ames School 5,769 volumes were issued; at the Columbia, 4,893; at the Blair, 2,424; and at the Second Baptist Sunday School, 3,854.

The following changes were made during the year: Station 4, from St. Louis and Newstead Avenues to Jefferson and Hebert St.; Station 25, from Broadway and Keokuk Streets to 2201 Cherokee Street; Station 38, from 12th and Geyer Ave. to 13th and Geyer Ave.; Station 39, from the Westmoreland Hotel Drug Store to Bacon St. and Cass Ave.; Station 48, from 20th and Wright Streets to 5427 Old Manchester Road; and Station 59, from Alice and Grant Streets to Leonard and Washington Avenue.

Station 60, 5901 Maple Ave., was added during the year; and Station 41, at 2631 Gamble St., and Station 46, at Jefferson and Shenandoah Avenues, were changed from bi-weekly to daily stations.

To the Central and McKinley High Schools, and to the Ames, Blair, and Columbia Schools assistants have gone to issue books; to the Cen-

tral, three times a week; to the McKinley and to the grammar schools, twice a week. This has been done to encourage and aid the work, to save the trouble that would arise from errors and to introduce orderly methods. It is hoped that sooner or later the Library will be relieved of this work, which should be done by teachers or older pupils.

JUVENILE.

Of the various functions of a public library there is none of greater, more far-reaching influence than the work done with children. It is a spring-time sowing, which insures a full harvest, a life-long sowing and reaping, a perennial fruitage through life. The best thing that can be done for a child is to implant in him a love of knowledge, a taste for good reading. This is worth more than a college course without it. The best time to impart this taste is before the child is ten years old. The effort should begin in the nursery at two years of age. Only the fortunate few, however, have such influence brought to bear on them until they go to school; and then the most earnest endeavor of the teacher should be exerted to this end. "Open Fairyland!" sums up the injunctions of the most advanced and successful educators. That is what the teachers of St. Louis, with the aid of the Public Library, are doing in yearly increasing measure.

Looking to its ultimate effect on the peace and progress and prosperity of St. Louis, there is nothing more gratifying than the rapid growth of our Young Folks' Department. So long as all departments are growing satisfactorily, I am not sorry to find that the ratio of card-holders under seventeen to their elders is yearly becoming greater, till this year the registered juveniles are not far from half of the total registration, and are drawing nearly 40 per cent of the books that go out from the Library. There is no question about the educational value, both intellectual and moral, of these books. They give pleasure the purest, joy the most unalloyed; and this would be enough. But they do more: they awaken the imagination, enlarge the mental grasp, supply interest and information and incentive and teach the lessons of morality, of justice, benevolence and devotion, as they can be taught in no other way.

The activities of this department manifest themselves through three channels: 1st, the issue of books to children or their parents who come to the Library; 2d, through sets of supplementary reading sent to the schools; 3d, through miscellaneous collections of books sent to the schools to remain as long as wanted, such collections being designated as "depository libraries." In the first way were issued this year 91,365 volumes; through the second agency, 144,818 volumes; and

through the depositories, 54,647 volumes, making a total of 290,830. This does not include all the juvenile books circulated, for others are sent through the delivery stations, last year a sufficient number to bring the total circulation of juvenile books up to 373,044, which was 39.71 per cent of the total home issue.

The first of the following tables shows schools that served as depositories and the work done by each. It will be observed that there was considerable difference in both the number of volumes and the length of time among the schools, leading inevitably to great differences in the total issue in the various schools, ranging from 10,000 to a few hundred volumes. The second table shows the issue month by month, from both the depositories and the sets of supplementary reading. At the close of the year, the supplementary reading on hand amounted to 474 sets containing 14,085 volumes.

The use of books for the school year from September, 1903, to June, 1904, was as follows: Supplementary reading, 154,014 volumes; books drawn from the depositories, 61,891 volumes, making a total of 215,905. The following may be interesting as giving the number of rooms in the various schools, the number of books sent to each school, the number of weeks they were kept, and the issue per week:

REPORT OF DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES, 1903–1904.

	ROOMS	BOOKS	WEEKS KEPT	TOTAL ISSUE	AVERAGE ISSUE PER WEEK
Ashland	1	21	10	345	35
Benton	4	155	32	892	28
Charless	6	185	11	1,446	132
Clinton	4	153	36	3,683	102
Columbia	7	420	35	9,202	263
Eliot	14	494	32	10,130	317
Elleardville	1	38	19	564	30
Emerson	6	274	33	7,229	219
Fremont	5	244	36	7,000	194
Froebel	1	300	26	4,511	174
Garfield	4	185	19	2,759	145
Gratiot	1	80	25	1,590	64
Harrison	1	30	12	302	25
Irving	8	231	20	2,555	128
Lyon	1	122	29	2,585	89
Madison	1	41	21	870	41
Shepard	10	236	31	3,751	121
Sherman	1	25	10	318	32
Walnut Park	1	28	14	523	37
Washington	4	147	30	1,336	45
Wyman	1	30	10	300	30
Total	82	3,439		61,891	

ISSSUE REPORT OF SCHOOLS FROM SEPTEMBER, 1903–JUNE, 1904.

Supplementary	154,014
Depositories	61,891
Total	215,905

ISSUE REPORT OF SCHOOLS FOR THE LIBRARY YEAR, FROM APRIL 30, 1903, TO MAY 1, 1904.

	SUP.	DEPOS.	TOTAL.
May	18,555	3,164	21,719
June		60	60
July			
August			
September	2,655	424	3,079
October	6,068	3,752	9 820
November	12,835	5,882	18,767
December	14,666	7,043	21,709
January	16,470	6,906	23,376
February	18,774	7,024	25,798
March	23,660	11,246	34,906
April	31,085	9,146	40,231
	144,818	54,647	199,465

Supplementary reading on hand, June, 1904: — 474 sets — 14,085 copies.

From the above figures it will be seen that 82 rooms in the public schools were supplied with collections of books that remained there from 10 to 36 weeks, the latter being practically the whole school year, though in some cases the books were changed in the middle of the term.

Sets for supplementary reading were sent to all the public schools that asked for them, i. e., to 67 out of the total of 91; 61 out of 79 white schools and 6 out of 12 colored schools. Sets were sent also to five evening schools (four public and one Jewish), to two Catholic institutions and to the House of Refuge.

The books drawn directly from the room were about the same in number as last year; but there was a large increase in the issue through the schools, 7,674 from the depositories and 51,491 from the supplementary sets. This large gain in the latter item accrued chiefly in the latter part of the year, beginning with January, when the Library Board furnished an additional wagon for this special purpose. Formerly we had had to depend on the very irregular and inadequate service from the wagons of the Board of Education. In other cities I think the expense of transportation is borne by the schools; in one at least that I know of the School Board furnishes also the boxes.

The reading lists of last year and previous years were revised and enlarged and reprinted. One new list on Ancient History was added. There is frequent request for these lists from other libraries and visitors interested in this phase of education. The following new sets were added. The first two books found such favor that the Board of Education ordered them for all the schools.

Grade 1-2.

Dopp	Tree-dwellers	3 sets.
Lang	Snowman	3 sets.
Smythe	Reynard the fox	3 sets.

Grade 2-3.

Dopp	Early cave men	1 set.
Parker	Uncle Robert's geography, v. 1	4 sets.

Grade 3-4.

Homer	Achilles and Hector	2 sets.
Parker	Uncle Robert's geography, v. 2	4 sets.
Parker	Uncle Robert's geography, v. 3	2 sets.

Grade 5-6.

Forbes	Elizabeth's charm string	1 set.
Homer	Story of Ulysses (Clarke)	1 set.
Kipling	Jungle book	1 set.
Longfellow	Courtship of Miles Standish (drama)	1 set.
Price	Wandering heroes	2 sets.
Lane	Strange lands near home	1 set.
Lane	Triumphs of science	1 set.
Northern Europe		1 set.
Toward the rising sun		1 set.
Under sunny skies		1 set.
Wide world		1 set.

Grade 7-8.

Baldwin	Discovery of the old Northwest (Gr. 7-1st, 2d, 3d.)	2 sets.
Baldwin	Conquest of the old Northwest (Gr. 7-4th & Gr. 8)	2 sets.
Pitman	Stories of old France	1 set.

The following eleven sets were worn out and nine of them replaced: Baldwin, *Fifty famous stories* and *Old Greek stories; Books for the bairns;* Carroll, *Alice in Wonderland;* Eggleston, *Stories of great*

Americans; Lang, *Snowdrop;* McMurry, *Classic stories*, 2 sets; Mulock, *Adventures of a brownie;* and Mulock, *Little lame prince*, 2 sets.

Five sets were withdrawn from the supplementary reading collection because of the small demand for them and were put to good use on the regular shelves: Aesop, *Fables*, because furnished to the schools by the Board of Education; *Books for the bairns*, because not in demand; *Greek heroes*, replaced by a more attractive book entitled *Old Greek stories;* O'Shea, *Six nursery classics*, because a more desirable edition of Mother Goose was substituted.

Out of the 54,647 issues from the depository collections 26 books were lost, of which 7 were paid for, leaving a loss of 19 books, which number will probably be slightly reduced by further recovery. And out of the 144,818 books issued from the supplementary sets, 66 books were lost, of which 21 were paid for, leaving a net loss of 45. A very large majority of these are books of small cost, and most of them were well worn. Teachers are held only to a moral responsibility for the return of books sent to their rooms.

With the statistics of her department, which I have summarized, Miss Krug submits the following interesting statement embodying some

TEACHERS' OPINIONS ON THE VALUE OF SUPPLEMENTARY READING.

In the course of the winter one section of the St. Louis Pedagogical Society under Mr. Schuyler's direction took up the study of English from the primary grade through the university. Some very interesting papers were read by Misses Callahan, Hamilton and Krebs, stating fully what literature (in what sequence and manner) had been read in the eight grammar grades. This had a quickening influence throughout the city, and helped to raise the standard of sets called for from our supplementary collections. One of these papers recommended the following

READING COURSE FOR 6TH, 7TH AND 8TH GRADES USED BY MISS KREBS, OF THE COLUMBIA SCHOOL.

1. BLAISDELL. Stories from English history.
2. CLEMENS. Prince and pauper.
3. SCOTT. Kenilworth.
4. LONGFELLOW. Miles Standish.
5. —— Evangeline.
6. COOPER. Last of the Mohicans, or Deerslayer.
7. —— Spy.
8. FISKE. War of Independence.
9. SCUDDER. George Washington.

10. ANDREWS. Ten boys (Saxon and Roman).
11. CLARKE. Story of Caesar.
12. SHAKESPEARE. Julius Caesar.
13. PITMAN. Stories of old France.
14. MARTINEAU. Peasant and prince.
15. SCOTT. Ivanhoe.
16. —— Talisman.
17. SHAKESPEARE. Merchant of Venice.
18. FROISSART. Chronicles.

The papers led to an animated discussion which brought forth the following remarks from principals of grammar schools.

Principal A. 'I put the supplementary books to four different uses. The children read them in class, use them as busy work, read in them at odd times and take them home.

'We do not like short stories. We want a book containing one continuous story, even for the youngest readers.'

I asked him about the Arabella and Araminta, Roggie and Reggie books. He said: 'The little folks are charmed with them, taking the same delight in them as in the Mother Goose books; but we must have the older child to read to the younger one, as the words are too difficult for the beginner. I like to recommend them to parents to buy for the home.'

Principal B. 'Although the Aesop fables are good, they must be read in small doses, that is, only a few at a time.' (I have inferred from this that the School Board had better furnish this book, and they do.)

Principal C. '*Of all the extraneous things put into the schools in late years, I think supplementary reading far outstrips all the others in usefulness.* I am not opposed to school gardens, for instance, yet I think they take up more attention and time than the results justify. I have always found that a few of the children do all the work, and these are usually the ones that naturally incline to that kind of thing. In supplementary reading, on the other hand, the whole class takes part, and all bend their efforts to the same goal; indeed, each individual's thought enriches the whole.'

Principal D. 'Up to this time I have not been able to read much Shakespeare in my eighth grade, but we have been using your supplementary reading sets so industriously in all grades for the last two years, and I notice such an improvement in the reading and the general intelligence of my pupils, that I know we can read four Shakespearean plays next year.' (This from the central district, among the poorer class.)

I often question the principals and teachers as to their opinion on the grading of our supplementary reading sets. As a general thing they express themselves well satisfied. One principal suggested that we place Thackeray's *Rose and the Ring* in a higher grade, stating that it was especially interesting in giving an idea of Thackeray's style, and this could not be appreciated by young children. This principal took the pains to send in a full type-written report, by his teachers, on the use of the sets.

MONTHLY BULLETIN.

The publication of a Library Bulletin which it was thought best to discontinue as a 32-page magazine in 1898, on the score of expense, was resumed in 1903. The new issue took the less costly form of a 16-page pamphlet, published monthly, and confined almost entirely to an annotated list of the new books added each month, and special reading lists on various subjects which may be considered of general interest or of timely importance. A brief statement of the rules and regulations of the Library that apply to card holders appears regularly on the front cover, and a list of the delivery stations of the Library on the last.

While very simple and inexpensive in form, the Bulletin has supplied an existing need of readers. Its appreciation by librarians is shown by the constant requests for it which reach us, and by paid orders for a number of copies of any issue which may have a special interest.

The editing and the bulk of the work on the Bulletin are the special charge of Miss Tutt.

Among the lists published in 1903-04 of especial interest were:

1. Books on the Louisiana Territory to 1821, published at the time of the dedication of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.
2. Books on domestic science.
3. Reading list on Indians.
4. Books on manual training.
5. Japan and Russia, published in February, 1904.
6. Trusts.
7. The city and its problems.

NEED OF NEW QUARTERS.

The additions of the year have made more pressing the necessity for a larger space for shelving books and for the accommodation of the staff and the public. A crowded condition everywhere prevails not-

withstanding the continued storing of books outside the building. The erection of a branch will be the best and quickest way of securing relief.

STAFF.

The work of the year was made more difficult by numerous changes in the personnel of the staff. During the year one senior clerk, one junior clerk, four apprentices and seventeen messengers withdrew or were dismissed from the service. Most of the latter had been in the Library but a short time and were of little or no value. Others, however, were well trained, and their loss was felt throughout all the departments. Of the four apprentices, two left to take higher positions in other libraries. We lost, also, one trained cataloguer, Miss Clara R. Dean, who left on the first of September, to be married. The list given on page 4 omits the names of those who served as apprentices or messengers for only a few weeks or months. Of the spirit and efficiency of the permanent staff I can speak only in terms of high commendation.

SUPPLEMENTARY.

The late date of the preparation of this report makes it possible and desirable to present a summary of the most important events of the period from May to January.

It is gratifying to record that the Board has been able to do more than meet its notes on the 17th, 18th, Olive and Locust St. block. When the balance of the original loan, $175,000, was refunded in April, 1904, the rate of interest was reduced, and the Board agreed to pay $40,000 on June 1st, $40,000 on October 1st, and $40,000 on January 15, 1905. This would have left a balance still due of $55,000. But the Board was able and, by the courtesy of the St. Louis Union Trust Company, was allowed to pay $60,000 instead of $40,000 on the second installment, reducing the debt to $75,000. This amount will be paid on the 15th of January, leaving the Board entirely free from debt.

The last rent received for the Exposition was in September, $7,000 for the quarter ending with the month of November. On December 1 the Exposition building and the power house passed into the possession of the St. Louis Union Trust Company, as stipulated in the original agreement, when the company advanced the money for the purchase of the property together with all the rights and franchises of the Exposition Company. It is generally known to the public, through the city

press, that the bulk of this money — nearly a quarter of a million dollars — was a gift from the individual directors of the St. Louis Union Trust Company.

MODEL LIBRARY AT THE LOUISIANA PURCHASE EXPOSITION.

In my last annual report I spoke of a project in contemplation for exhibiting a "Model Public Library" at the World's Fair. At that time the original hope of securing a separate building had about vanished, and the problem was to obtain some $8,000 needed to fit up a space 70'x30' in the Education Building, to represent a one-room library, with a collection of six to ten thousand volumes.

The chance of getting this money seemed very slender; and we were glad to accept the kind offer of the Missouri Commission to give the use of one of the halls in the Missouri Building, with an appropriation of $3,500 for furniture, freight and cartage and incidentals. The Library Bureau (of Boston, Chicago and St. Louis) had already offered to fit up the room with shelving, card cabinets, counter, desks, tables, chairs, etc. The room was 75'x35', lofty and well lighted; the furniture and fittings were of the handsomest appearance and most substantial material and make.

If, however, this was to be a "Model Library," the books in it must be distributed over the realm of knowledge in judicious proportions and must be the very best in each department. A plan to secure such a collection of "best books" was already on foot in charge of a committee of the American Library Association, with Melvil Dewey, State Librarian of New York, at its head. This Committee appointed subcommittees on the various departments of science and literature, and enlisted the co-operation of nearly three hundred librarians and university professors in all parts of the country. The returns from these collaborators were collated and edited by Mr. Dewey and Miss Seymour of his staff and finally revised by Mrs. H. L. Elmendorf, special bibliographer of the Buffalo Public Library.

Dr. Herbert Putnam, the head of the Library of Congress, at considerable sacrifice of his own immediate interests, undertook to print the catalogue.

The various publishers promptly and cheerfully, and with great generosity, supplied the bulk of the books, including a large number of costly publications such as the Century Dictionary; the International Cyclopaedia; Warner's Library of the World's Best Literature; Shakespeare, new variorum edition by Furness; Encyclopaedia Americana; Universal Encyclopaedia and Atlas; Chambers' Encyclopaedia; Grove,

Dictionary of Music; Champlin, Cyclopaedia of painters; Johnston, Handy royal atlas of geography; Sturgis, Dictionary of agriculture. These numerous gifts, aggregating over 5,000 volumes, belong to the record of the current year and will be fully listed in the next annual report. In addition to this "model" or "A. L. A." collection, some 2,500 popular books were sent out from the Library, and the whole collection included, further, some 1,600 volumes of works by Missouri authors supplied chiefly by the Historical Society of Missouri at Columbia and the St. Louis Public Library.

The task remained to collect the books, classify, enter them in the accession ledger, arrange them on the shelves with pockets and cards, ready for issue; further, to supply competent librarians to show and explain the exhibit to visitors, to register readers and issue books — in short, to make of this exhibit a public library in actual operation. This part of the co-operative effort naturally fell to the St. Louis Public Library, which gladly undertook the work and carried it on with faithfulness and enthusiasm till it was brought to a slightly premature close by the fire.

It was not to be expected that people with the whole world, its inhabitants, its industries and its arts, spread before them like an open book, would find much time to spend in reading printed books; yet in the height of the season, with all the charms of landscape, architecture, sculpture, music, processions, drills, spectacles and innumerable amusements, there was nevertheless an issue of thirty to forty volumes a day. These were drawn chiefly by persons resident on the ground. Jefferson Guards and other young employees took advantage of the library to pursue various courses of study. The main purpose of the exhibit, however, was to show to persons interested what might be considered, with unavoidable limitations, a Model Public Library, performing its every-day functions; and many visitors derived from it both pleasure and profit, both information and incentive.

The contributors to this successful co-operative effort were:

1. The American Library Association, which, through its World's Fair and other committees, compiled the A. L. A. Catalogue.
2. The Library of Congress, which published the Catalogue.
3. The Missouri Commission, which made the Exhibit possible by furnishing the room.
4. The Library Bureau, which supplied the furniture and fittings.
5. The St. Louis Public Library, which collected and prepared the books and the card catalogue for the use of the Public, and maintained and conducted the Model Library as a branch.

Each and all the collaborators have reason to feel satisfied and pleased with the results of their efforts.

The American Library Association may congratulate itself on having secured the best exhibit of library activities it has ever had and on having in the Catalogue the best guide and help to the small libraries of the country that can be furnished. To this may be added the grand prize awarded to the exhibit.

The Library of Congress has the credit of publishing the Catalogue, which otherwise would not have been compiled.

The Missouri Commission thereby added a grand prize and a gold medal to the awards for exhibits in the Missouri Building.

The Library Bureau will receive its reward in the extensive advertisement of its fine furniture and technical equipment.

And the St. Louis Public Library, besides the satisfaction of helping the general cause of the public libraries in the country, has to show a gold medal and a collection of 5,200 volumes of choice books.

As I have said, the library exhibit was brought to a premature close on the evening of Saturday, November 19th. To members of the staff who saw the flames shoot through the gilded dome and light up the figure of the "Winged Victory" till it appeared to soar in an atmosphere of fire, there seemed no hope of salvation for the "Model Library," on which they had labored with such pleasure and pride. Fortunately, it was not quite the hour for closing; and from the neighboring buildings men hurried to the rescue. Nearly all the furniture of the library room was carried out except the stack and the counter and all the books but some 475, which were found next day practically ruined by water.

The shine and freshness is gone from the whole collection, in consequence of the five handlings they received in being hurriedly carried out of the burning building and deposited on the lawn, removed from there to the protection of tarpaulins, from there next morning (Sunday) to the Ohio building, and thence to our store house down town, where they were sorted and arranged in four lots, according to the amount of damage, for the inspection of the insurance adjusters. Destruction and damage and dirt were fairly paid for by the sum of $2,500 received from the insurance companies; yet it would have been more satisfactory to have opened our first branch with these books in all but their pristine gloss and glory.

In the hope that my next report will record the initial steps towards the erection of the new central building and one or more branches, I have the honor to be

Respectfully and faithfully,

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Jan. 13, 1905.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edward L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1904, on account of city appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 12th day of November, nineteen hundred and four.

(Seal.) (Signed) H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 13, 1906.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before the undersigned, a notary public, within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 12th day of November, nineteen hundred and four.

(Seal.) (Signed) H. A. BERKEMEYER,
Notary Public.

My term expires June 13, 1906.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS.

May 1, 1903 — April 30, 1904.

3,144 volumes and 7,288 pamphlets were received from 1,019 sources, as follows:

	Vols.	Pphs.
Aberdeen. Public Library		1
Academy of Natural Sciences. *Philadelphia*		1
Academy of Science of St. Louis.	.. .	14
Adamic Publishing Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Adams, G. *St. Louis*	4	
Adams Nervine Asylum. *Boston*		1
Adriance Memorial Library. *Poughkeepsie*		1
Advance, The. *Chicago*		1
Aeronautical World. *Glenville, Ohio*		1
Aguilar Free Library Society. *N. Y*		1
Alabama. Agric. Exp. Sta.	...	5
—— Geol. Survey		1
Albany. Bd. of Education		2
Alkahest Co. *Atlanta*		2
Allegheny. Carnegie Free Library		1
American Association for the Advancement of Science	1	
American Banker's Association.	2	...
American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions		31
American Book Co	45	1
American Colonization Society		2
American Congregational Association. *Boston*	1	1
American Co-operator		44
American Dermatological Association		2
American Electro-Therapeutic Association		1
American Express Co		4
American Humane Education Society	1	1
American Institute of Architects		6
American Institute of Electrical Engineers	2	5
American Institute of Homeopathy	1	
American Institute of Sacred Literature		2
American Library Association		2
American Numismatic and Archaeological Society		1
American Railroad Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association	4	11
American Society for the Extension of Univ. Teaching		1
American Society of Civil Engineers	1	1
American Street Railway Association		1
American Unitarian Association.		1
Amherst College.	...	1
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. of Mass	1	1
Anderson *Dr.* Willis S. *Detroit*		2
Andover Theological Seminary		1
Anonymous	97	42
Arlington Street Church. *Boston.*		15
Armour Institute of Technology. *Chicago*		14
Art League of St. Louis	1	
Associated Charities of Boston.		1
Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe R. R. Co	1	1
Atlanta. Board of Education		1
—— Carnegie Library		7
Atlanta University		1
Avery, *Mrs.* E. L. *St. Louis*	2	
Ayr. Carnegie Public Library. *Ayrshire, Scotland*		1.
Bain, Robert E. M. *St. Louis*	1	
Balch, Edwin Swift. *Philadelphia*	1	
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce	1	
Bangor, *Me.* Public Library		1
Bangor and Aroostook R. R.	1	1
Bar Association of St. Louis		1
Barbour, *Miss* H. M. *St. Louis*		2
Barnes Medical College. *St. Louis*		1
Bartholdt, *Hon.* Richard. *Washington, D. C.*	4	1
Bates, Wm. H. *Clifton Springs, N. Y.*	1	...
Bayer (F.) & Co. *N. Y.*		1
Belgium. Ministère de l'Agriculture	1	12
—— Ministère de l'Interieur et de l'Instruction Publique	3	1
—— Ministère des Finances et des Travaux Publics	1	
Bemis, Edward W. *Cleveland, O.*		1
Bennett College of Eclectic Medicines and Surgery. *Chicago*		2
Benson, P. R. *Anoka, Minn.*	1	
Berkshire Athenaeum and Museum. *Pittsfield, Mass.*		1
Berlin. Statistisches Amt	1	3
Beverly, *Mass.* Public Library		1
Bibliotheca Sacra. *Oberlin, O.*		1
Biddle, S. M. *Monmouth, Ill.*	1	...
Bigelow, *Mrs.* V. A. *St. Louis*		16
Billings, H. B. *Ontario, Canada.*		1
Birmingham, *England.* Free Libraries Committee		1
Bixby, W. K. *St. Louis*	3	1
Blair, James L. *St. Louis*		5
Blewett, Ben. *St Louis*	2	
Boll Weevil Convention. *Baton Rouge, La.*		1
Boston. Auditor	1	
—— Board of Prison Commissioners	1	

	Vols.	Pphs.
Boston. Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Children's Institutions Department		1
—— Commissioner of Savings Banks	1	...
—— Health Department		16
—— Museum of Fine Arts		7
—— Normal School		1
—— Park Department		1
—— Public Library		15
—— Registry Department	3	
—— School Committee	3	36
—— Secretary of the Commonwealth	1	
Boston & Maine Railroad		19
Boston Athenaeum		1
Boston Book Co		9
Boston Provident Association		1
Boston Transit Commission	1	
Boston Young Men's Christian Union	1	
Bowditch, *Dr.* Vincent Y. *Boston*		2
Bowdoin College. *Brunswick, Me.*	2	8
Braddock. Carnegie Free Library		2
Bradford, Carnegie Public Library		3
Brandt, Albert. *Trenton, N. J.*		2
Brandt, Lilian. *N. Y.*		1
Breslau. Handelskammer		1
Brickbuilder. *Boston*		1
Bridgeport, *Conn.* Public Library		1
Brighton. Public Library		1
Broadhead, G. C. *Columbia, Mo.*		1
Brookline. Public Library		6
Brooklyn. Public Library		33
Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences	1	13
Brosnahan, *Rev.* Timothy, *S. J. N. Y.*		1
Brown, Henry J. *London*	1	
Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co. *Providence*	1	
Brown Shoe Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Brown University. *Providence*		3
Brownlow, *Hon.* W. P		1
Bryn Mawr College		2
Buchmueller, S. *St. Louis*		12
Buffalo. Chamber of Commerce		1
—— Merchant's Exchange		1
—— Public Library		1
Buffalo Forge Co	1	
Bullard Machine Tool Co. *Bridgeport, Conn.*		1
Bunker Hill Boys' Club. *Boston.*		1
Bunker Hill Monument Association	1	...
Burlington Route		12
Butler, *Hon.* Jas. J. *Washington.*	1	
Byrne, P. J. *St. Louis*	1	
Caldwell, L. W. *Dorchester, Mass.*	1	
California. State Board of Architecture		1
—— State Library		4
Cambridge, *Eng.* Public Free Library		1
Cambridge, *Mass.* Public Free Library		12
Cambridge University. Library. *Eng*		1
Canada. Auditor General	2	1
—— Census Office	1	
—— Department of Agriculture	1	5
—— Department of Customs	1	
—— Department of Justice		1
—— Department of Railways and Canals		1
—— Department of Trade and Commerce	1	16
Canada. Geological Survey	2	15
—— Inland Revenue Laboratory		10
—— Interior Department		5
—— Minister of Finance		12
—— Minister of Public Works	1	
—— Post Office Department	2	3
—— Public Lands Department		1
—— Superintendent of Immigration	1	
Canadian Manufacturer's Association	1	
Carnegie, Andrew, *Scotland*	2	2
Carpenter, *Mrs.* Geo. O. *St. Louis*	74	21
Carroll, C. B. *East St. Louis*	1	
Carter, Charles S. *Milwaukee*	1	
Cathedral Library Association. *N. Y.*		9
Central Conference of American Rabbis. *Cincinnati*		1
Century Association. *N. Y.*	1	
Century Theater. *St. Louis*		70
Channing, Walter. *Brookline, Mass*		1
Charity Organization Society of Buffalo		1
Chase, Wilfrid Earl. *Madison, Wis*	1	
Chase & Sanborn. *Chicago*		6
Chicago. Board of Education		4
—— Board of Health		40
—— Fire Marshal	1	1
—— Municipal Library and Bureau of Statistics	1	4
—— Public Library		4
—— South Park Commrs		1
Chicago & Alton R. R.		3
Chicago & Northwestern R. R.		10
Chicago Citizen's Association		5
Chicago Historical Society		1
Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R. R.		28
Chickering, Munroe		1
Chickering & Sons	1	
Children's Aid Society. *N. Y.*		1
Children's Episcopal Hospital. *Cincinnati*		1
Churchill, James O. *St Louis*	153	46
Cincinnati. Associated Charities		2
—— Public Library		18
—— Water Department	1	4
Cincinnati Punch & Shear Co		1
Civic Improvement League. *St. Louis*		6
Clark University. Library		2
Clark, *Miss* Edith M. *Lawrence, Kansas*		1
Clarke & Baker		3
Cleveland. Board of Public Service		1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	...
—— Public Library		2
Cockrell, *Hon* F. M. *Washington*		4
Coelho, Wm. Joseph. *Honolulu, H. I.*		2
Cole, George Watson. *N. Y.*		1
College Settlement. *N. Y.*		1
Colorado. Agric Exp. Sta		4
—— Bureau of Mines		2
—— State Engineer		1
—— State Game and Fish Commissioner	1	
—— State Normal School		1
Colorado Bar Association		1
Colorado College		2
Columbia Theatre. *St. Louis*		84
Columbia University	1	4
Columbus. Public School Library	...	1
Commission of Colleges in New England. *Providence*		2
Congregational Home Missionary Society. *N. Y.*		1

	Vols.	Pphs.
Congrès International des Bibliothecaires		1
Congress of American Physicians and Surgeons. *New Haven*	1	
Connecticut. Agric Exp. Sta	1	4
— Bank Commissioners	1	
— Public Library Committee	1	1
— Railroad Commissioners' Office	1	
— Secretary of State		2
— State Board of Education		6
— State Board of Health	2	
— State Library	9	9
Cook (Thos.) & Son. *N. Y.*		1
Cook Company. *Michigan City, Indiana*		1
Cornell College. *Mount Vernon, Iowa*		2
Cornell University		5
— Agric. Exp. Sta		5
Cotchett, James Green. *St. Louis*	1	
Council Bluffs. Free Public Library		1
Council of Law Reporting for England and Wales		1
Creighton University		1
Crisp, F. A. *London*	1	
Crumb, D. S. *St Louis*		1
Crunden, F. M. *St Louis*	62	169
Crunden, *Mrs.* F. M. *St. Louis*	2	7
Crunden, *Mrs.* M M. *St Louis*	3	
Cuenca, Laura M. de. *St. Louis*	1	10
Cupples & Schoenhof. *Boston*	1	
Daland, *Dr.* Judson. *Philadelphia*		1
Dante Society. *Cambridge, Mass.*		1
Dartmouth College		1
Dawson, *Mrs.* Wm. *St. Louis*	1	
Dean. *Miss* Clara Ruth. *St. Louis*		3
Deering, Charles. *Chicago*	1	
Delaware. Adjutant General's Office	1	
Denison, T. S. *Chicago*	1	
Denver. Bureau of Health		8
— Public Library	2	4
Denver Medical Publishing Co		4
DePauw University		1
Detroit. Public Library		1
Deutsches Theater, Odeon. *St. Louis*		60
DeWolf, Edwin A. *St. Louis*	1	
Dey, Edward M. *St. Louis*	1	
Dillingham, *Mrs.* Stella. *St. Louis*	3	
Dockery, John. *St. Louis*	1	
Dominion Atlantic Railway. *Boston*		5
Drew Theological Seminary Library. *Madison, N. J*		2
Drexel Institute. *Philadelphia*	1	2
Drury College. *Springfield, Mo.*		1
Dunne, M. W. *New York City*		1
Dutro, John M. *St Louis*		1
Eau Claire, Public Library		1
Ecuador. War and Marine Department		12
Electrical World and Engineer. *N. Y.*		1
Eliot, Edward C. *St Louis*		1
Ellis, Ellery Ware. *Everett, Mass.*		37
Ellis (G. H.) Co. *Boston*	1	
Ellwanger & Barry. *Rochester*		3
Emery, Mary C. Bryant		1
Emmons, H. H. *Alliance, O*	1	
Engineers' Club. *St. Louis*		1
English League for the Taxation of Land Values		28
Enoch Pratt Free Library *Baltimore*		1
Erie, *Pa.* Public Library		1
Ethical Society. *Philadelphia*		7
Evans, C. H. *St. Louis*	2	4
Evanston. Free Public Library.		3
Evening Dispensary for Women. *St. Louis*		4
Fairmount College. *Wichita, Kansas*		1
Falbisaner, Adolph *St Louis*		3
Farbenfabriken of Elberfeld Co. *N. Y.*	1	5
Farnsworth, Seth T. *Donerail, Kentucky*	1	
Farnsworth Co. *Cincinnati, O*	1	
Field Columbian Museum. *Chicago*		18
Finsbury Public Libraries Commission. *London*		2
First Church of Christ, Scientist. *St. Louis*	1	
Fitz Public Library. *Chelsea, Mass.*		1
Flersheim, George. *St Louis*	2	
Fletcher Free Library. *Burlington, Vt.*		1
Florida. Agric. Exp Sta		5
Foot, A. H. *St. Louis*	2	2
Forbes, *Miss* C. B. *St Louis*	1	
Fordyce, *Mrs* S. W. *St. Louis*	11	
Foundation Principles. *Home, Washington*		1
Fox, David F. *St. Louis*	1	
France. Ministére des Affaires Etrangères	1	
— Ministére des Travaux Publics	1	
— Ministére du Commerce	1	6
Francis, *Hon.* David R. *St Louis*	1	
Free Russia. *London*		1
Friedman Cigar Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. *New York City*	1	
Galesburg. Free Public Library		1
Gallinger, J. H. *Washington*		1
Genail, Nellie. *St. Louis*	1	
Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania. *Philadelphia*	1	
General Federation of Women's Clubs. *Charleston, S. C*		6
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen. *New York City*		6
Georgetown University. *Washington, D. C.*		2
Georgia. Experiment Station	2	10
— Geological Survey	1	
Gibson, *Mrs.* Wm. *London*	1	
Gillis, J. L. *Sacramento, Cal*		1
Ginn & Co	1	
Gloversville, *N. Y.* Free Library		2
Gordon, Jas. G. *St Louis*	65	
Gould Directory Co. *St. Louis*	66	
Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania *Philadelphia*	1	1
Grand Opera House. *St. Louis*		76
Grand Rapids, *Mich.* Board of Public Works		1
Grand Trunk Railway		6
Grand Northern Railway		4
Greenbaum, Leon. *St Louis*		1
Greer, *Rev.* David H. *New York City*	1	
Gregory, C. R *Paris*	1	
Grosvenor Public Library. *Buffalo*		1
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children. *Boston*		1
Hamburg-American Line		4
Hammer and Pen. *New York City*		1
Harder, *Mrs* Ida. *St. Louis*	3	1
Harper & Brothers	1	
Hartford, *Conn.* Public Library		3

	Vols.	Pphs.
Hartford, *Conn.* Theological Seminary		1
Harvard College Astronomical Observatory College	1	
Harvard University	3	5
Harvard University. Bussey Institution		1
Haskins, C. N. *St Louis*	1	
Hauser, *Dr. Karlsruhe, Germany*		8
Haverford College		1
Haverhill. Public Library		4
Havlins Theatre. *St. Louis.*		84
Hawaii. Agric. Exp. Sta		1
—— Promotion Committee		2
—— Secretary's Office		15
—— Weather Bureau	...	4
Heginbottom Free Library. *Ashton-under-Lyne, Eng.*		1
Helena. Public Library		2
Heller, Otto. *St. Louis*	1	..
Hereford. Free Library. *Hereford, Eng*	..	5
Hildebrand, Lee. *St.Louis*	9	...
Hinds & Noble	1	...
Historical and Scientific Society of Manitoba		3
Hitchcock, George. *St. Louis*	1	
Hobart College. *Geneva, N. Y.*		4
Hoboken, *N. J.* Free Public Library		2
Holland, M. L. *St. Louis*	1	224
Hollister, *Mrs.* Lillian M. *Detroit*	1	
Holmes, Alice A. *Jersey City*	1	
Home for Incurables. *Fordham, N. Y.*		1
Hotchkiss, C. C. *Flora, Ill.*		1
Houghton, Mifflin & Co	1	
Hughes, *Dr.* Chas. H. *St Louis.*	1	30
Huguenot Society of South Carolina. *Charleston*		1
Humphrey, Geo. W. *Boston*		1
Hunt, *Hon.* John T. *Washington*	1	1
Illinois. Bureau of Labor Statistics	4	1
—— State Board of Agriculture		2
—— State Board of Arbitration	1	
—— State Board of Pharmacy	1	
—— State Historical Library	1	
—— State Horticultural Society	1	
—— State Laboratory of Natural History	1	10
—— State Penitentiary	1	
Illinois Central Railroad Co	1	
Illinois Masonic Home for the Aged	1	
Illinois State Bar Association	1	
Imperial Theatre. *St. Louis*		76
Improved Dwellings Association. *Boston*		1
Independent Labour Party. *London*		1
India. Government Printing Office	1	
—— Public Works Department	3	
Indian Rights Association. *Philadelphia*		4
Indiana. Department of Geology and Natural Resources	1	
—— State Board of Charities		5
—— State Board of Health		11
—— State Library	21	52
Indiana Spring Co. *Kramer, Indiana*		1
Indianapolis. Public Library	1	2
Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children. *Boston*		1
Institut International de Bibliographie. *Brussels*		1
International Board of Woman's and Y. W. C. Assocs.		1
Iowa. Board of Railroad Commissioners	1	
—— Geological Survey	1	
—— Historical Department		6
—— Library Commission	1	
—— State Board of Health	1	1
—— State College. Experiment Station	...	11
Iowa Academy of Sciences	5	
Iowa Bar Association		1
Iowa Masonic Library		5
Ireland. Dept. of Agricultural and Technical Instruction	1	
Italy. Ministero d'Agricoltura, Industria e Commercio	1	140
—— Ministero del Tesoro	1	
Japan. Bureau General of Statistics	1	
—— Dept. of Agriculture and Commerce	1	
—— Imperial Library		2
—— Imperial University, College of Medicine	1	
Japan and America. *New York City*		1
Jersey City. Free Public Library		6
Jett (E. T.) Book and News Co. *St. Louis*		2
John Crerar Library. *Chicago*		4
John F. Slater Fund	...	1
John Rylands Library. *Manchester, Eng*		3
Johns Hopkins Press		1
Johns Hopkins University		5
Joint Committee for the Promotion of Electoral Reforms in Pennsylvania. *Philadelphia*		1
Joliet Public Library		4
Jones, *Hon.* S. M. *Toledo, O*		1
Joy, *Hon.* Chas. F. *St. Louis*	1	
Judson, F. N. *St. Louis*	1	1
Julien, Matthew Cantine. *Ellenville, N. Y.*		1
Kansas. State Agricultural College. Experiment Station.	1	12
—— State Board of Agriculture		3
—— State Normal School		1
Kansas Academy of Science	1	...
Kansas Bar Association		1
Kansas City. Board of Education		1
—— Public Library		4
Karst, Emile. *St. Louis*		2
Kaviratna, Avinash Chandra. *Calcutta*		1
Kearns, Walter M. *Montreal*		1
Kentucky. Agricultural Experiment Station		8
—— Dept. of Agriculture, Labor and Statistics	1	
—— Dept. of Public Instruction	2	...
Kenyon College. *Gambier, O*		1
Kieselhorst, *Miss* Emma. *St. Louis*		8
King, *Gen.* Horatio C. *Brooklyn.*		1
King-Brinsmade Mercantile Co. *St. Louis*	1	
Knights of Columbus. *Philadelphia*		1
Knox College. *Galesburg, Ill*		1
Knox Hat Manufacturing Co. *New York City*		1
Kohler, Charles. *Savannah, Ga.*		1
Kroechl (Victor) & Co. *New York City*		1
Krug, *Miss* Julia. *St. Louis*	25	73
Kurtz, Charles M. *St. Louis*	...	2
LaCrosse, *Wisconsin.* Board of Trade		1
Lake Mohonk Conference on International Arbitration	...	10

	Vols.	Pphs.
Lancaster, *Mass.* Town Library		2
Lange, D. *St. Paul, Minn.*	2	5
Langton, J. F. *St. Louis*	1	
Larsen, Ludwig B. *Portland, Oregon*	1	
Lawrence, *Mass.* Public Library		1
—— Water Board		1
Lawyers' Co-operative Publishing Co. *Rochester, N. Y.*		1
Learned, *Mrs.* J. C. *St. Louis*	375	280
Leeds. Public Free Libraries		1
Lehigh University. *South Bethlehem, Pa.*		2
Leland Stanford Junior University. Library	2	
Lenehan, John J. *New York City*	5	2
Lewis, Charles. *St Louis*		3
Lewis Institute. *Chicago, Ill.*		1
Libbie (Chas. F.) & Co. *Boston*		3
Librarie Centrale des Beaux-Arts. *Paris*		7
Library Company of Philadelphia		2
Lick Observatory	1	
Lieberthal, *Dr.* Daniel. *Chicago*		2
Life Publishing Co. *New York City*	1	
Light of Truth Office. *Chicago*	3	
Liverpool, *Eng.* Public Libraries, Museums and Art Galleries	1	1
Lombard, Louis. *Lugano, Switzerland*		1
Longmans, Green & Co. *New York City*	2	1
Los Angeles. Public Library		12
Louisiana. Adjutant General		1
—— State Board of Agriculture	1	12
—— State University. Agric. Exp. Sta		2
Louisiana Purchase Exposition	3	356
Louisville Army Corps Society		1
Lowell Observatory. *Flagstaff, Arizona*		8
Ludlow, *Major* Henry H., *U. S. A. Chicago*		1
Lutz, Chas. *St. Louis*	5	10
Lyman, Benj. Smith. *Philadelphia*		2
Lynn, *Mass.* Public Library		1
McAnally, *Dr.* D. R. *St. Louis*	11	...
McCleary, *Hon.* Jas. T. *Washington*	...	1
McGee, *Dr.* Anita Newcomb. *Washington*		4
McGill University. *Montreal*		7
McGraw Publishing Co. *New York City*		1
Macmillan Co. *New York City*	...	1
Madison Free Library		1
Maimonides Free Library. *New York City*		1
Maine. Agric. Exp. Sta		51
Manchester, *Eng.* Public Free Libraries		7
Manchester, *N. H.* Public Library		1
Manning, Warren H. *Boston*		2
Marquardt, H. *St. Louis*	1	
Marshalltown, *Iowa.* Public Library	...	1
Marvin, Frederick R. *Albany, N. Y*	1	
Maryland. Agric Exp. Sta		2
—— Bureau of Statistics and Information	1	
—— Secretary of State	1	
Mason, Henry T. *Cambridgeport*		1
Massachusetts. Agricultural College		3
Massachusetts Auditor	1	
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor		5
—— Civil Service Commission		1
—— Commissioners of Fisheries and Game		1
—— Commissioner of Public Records		1
—— Commissioners of Savings Banks	2	
—— Harbor and Land Commissioners	1	
—— Metropolitan Park Commn	1	
—— Railroad Commissioners	3	
—— State Board of Charity	1	
—— State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration	1	
—— Treasurer and Receiver General		2
—— Trustees of Public Reservations		4
Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association		1
Massachusetts Civic League		3
Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Auxiliary. *Boston*		15
Massachusetts General Hospital. *Boston*		2
Massachusetts Institute of Technology. *Boston*		2
Massachusetts Reform Club. *Boston*		2
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Maury, *Miss* Cornelia F. *St. Louis*	1	
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Meier, *Mrs.* H. M. *St Louis*	31	
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Metropolitan Museum of Art. *New York City*		1
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Michigan. Agric. College Exp. Sta	3	3
—— Auditor General's Dept	1	
—— Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics	1	
—— School for the Deaf		1
—— Secretary of State	1	
—— State Board of Corrections and Charities	1	1
—— State Board of Health		20
—— State Library	..	2
Miller, E. *St. Louis*	3	
Milwaukee. Board of School Directors		1
—— Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— City Service Commissioners		1
—— Health Commissioner		12
—— Public Library		5
Miners' Magazine. *Denver*		1
Minneapolis. Public Library		3
—— School of Fine Arts		1
Minnesota. R. R. and Warehouse Commission. *St. Paul.*	1	
Missouri. Bureau of Geology and Mines	1	...
—— Coal Mine Inspector	1	
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— State Board of Agriculture		8
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— State Dept	4	2
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— State Hospital for the Insane. No. 2		2
— State Hospital for the Insane. No. 3		1
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National Sound Money League. *New York City*	1	
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— Bureau of Statistics	1	
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— State Prison	1	
New Mexico. College of Agriculture and Mechanic Art		6
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Sons of the Revolution. Missouri Society		1
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DEAR SIR:

I have the honor to submit herewith the report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, made by the librarian, Mr. Frederick M. Crunden and showing the business and operations of the Library for the year ending April 30th, 1905.

Very respectfully,

F. W. LEHMANN,
President.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public Library:—

I have the honor to submit herewith my twelfth annual report covering the eleventh year of the active operation of this institution as a free library and showing its growth and activities for the year ending April 30, 1905. A detailed statement of receipts and expenditures will be found in the subjoined tables.

The more important facts and figures shown therein are as follows: —

The income from the city tax of two-fifths of a mill amounted to $178,998.64, an increase of $5,934.01 over the previous year. The desk receipts from fines, issue of extra books, etc., reached an aggregate of $6,037.49, a decrease of $291.97 from the total of the previous year.

The rental of Block 510 and the house in Block 511 was $16,893.86, an increase of $1,476.03.

Contributors to the fund for the purchase of the Exposition site paid $58,250 in May and $1,035.91 in October. As a dividend on its subscription from the sale of the power house, the Library received $17,155. The last two quarters' rent from the Exposition building was paid in this year, amounting to $14,000. When on Dec. 1, the building passed into the hands of the St. Louis Union Trust Co., the Library received rebates on insurance policies aggregating $1,654.30. Insurance on books destroyed and injured by the fire in the Missouri Building at the World's Fair was promptly paid, amounting to $2,501.98.

The final payment on City Block 510 was made in January of this year — principal notes $175,000, interest, $4,729.85. On this property during the year was expended $1,842.12 for repairs and agent's commissions; $584.70 for insurance, and $65.73 for sprinkling taxes, making a total expenditure on real estate of $182,222.40

The deed of release of this property from the vendor's lien was executed by the St. Louis Union Trust Co. and was recorded in March. The Library, therefore, now that this property is clear, has no outstanding obligations.

The total expenditure for maintenance, including cost of books and furniture, was $77,388.66, an excess of $9,168.96 over the previous year. The chief items of the increase were $2,500 for rent, $1,133 more in the book fund and $3,477 for salaries.

The expenditure in the book fund was $18,375.69, —$12,748.97 for

books, $4,241.87 for binding, and $1,384.85 for periodicals. Ordinarily the amount spent for books is much larger than this; but our purchases were necessarily curtailed on account of room. The unusually large donation list, however, brought up the total additions to a respectable figure, nearly 20,000 volumes.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR APRIL 11, 1904 TO APRIL 10, 1905.

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To balance in City Treasury, April 11, 1904		$10,388 54	
Collections, April 11, 1904 — April 10, 1905		178,998 64	$189,387 18
Balance in Bank Fund, April, 1904			17,477 95
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1904			148 93
Desk receipts.			
Collection of Duplicates,			
Books and Magazines issued	$1,588 55		
Magazines sold	69 55	1,658 10	
Fines		3,640 39	
Books sold, lost and paid for		325 60	
Catalogues		83 35	
Lost cards		261 30	
Postals		21 66	
Miscellaneous		47 09	6,037 49
Rent collections			16,893 86
Exposition Site.			
Subscriptions paid	59,285 91		
Dividend on subscription paid by Library	17,155 00		
Rent	14,000 00		
Insurance rebates	1,654 30		92,095 21
Missouri Commission, for Model Library expense			220 31
Insurance received on account of Model Library			2,501 98
Interest on daily bank balances	371 72		
Interest on certificates of deposit	405 00		776 72
			$325,534 63

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By Salaries			$36,375 56
Books, Main Collection		$12,042 99	
Books, Collection of Duplicates		705 98	
Binding		4,241 87	
Periodicals, Main Collection		1,109 28	
Periodicals, Collection of Duplicates		275 57	18,375 69
Rent, Main Library		10,000 00	
Rent of store-room, 1127 Pine		416 83	
Insurance, Main Library		1,055 50	
Furniture and repairs		1,275 97	12,748 30
Expense,			
Printing and stationery		3,308 29	
Examining account books		375 00	
Transportation, Del. Sts.	$3,115 43		
Schools	645 00	3,760 43	
Delivery Station expense		53 40	
*Sundries		1,537 55	
Supplies		227 96	
Misc., Lost cards refund	90		
Misc. desk refund	10 00		
Card deposits refund	35 00	45 90	
Postage		563 90	
Advertising		16 68	9,889 11
Model Library expense			443 81
Real Estate, 17th, 18th, Olive and Locust Sts.			
Principal and interest notes		179,729 85	
Insurance		584 70	
Repairs and commissions		1,842 12	
Sprinkling taxes		65 73	182,222 40
Exposition Site,			
Insurance		2,023 00	
Salaries (8 mo. at $125)		1,000 00	
Taxes on Power House		933 04	
Sprinkling taxes		58 20	
Repairs		42 75	
Expense, paid to Jefferson Hotel Co., on acc't smokestack	500 00		
Night watch signal ser	48 00		
Supplies	8 00	556 00	4,612 99
William Barr Lot, Sprinkling taxes			8 58
Total Expenditures			$264,676 44

* Telephone charges are included and a large number of items of varying amounts.

Brought forward		$264,676 44
Amount short in Bank Fund, through misappropriation of funds	$3,088 89	
Amount short in Contingent Fund, through misappropriation of funds	35 55	$3,123 94
Balance in City Treasury April 10, 1905		19,519 09
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1905		38,140 15
Balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1905		75 01
		$325,534 63

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1905.

RECEIPTS.

	Exposition Site	City Collections	Desk Receipts	Rent	Insurance	Misc.	Total
1894		$ 49,773 52	113 66				49,887 18
1895		59,035 80	2.593 26			3 41	61,632 47
1896		61,929 51	3,619 98	482 79		87 96	66,150 24
1897		64,663 32	3,741 31	1,879 56		187 72	70,471 91
1898		67,638 45	3,839 86	1,480 00		424 81	73,383 12
1899		71,340 13	3,901 72	12,328 55	39,742 72*	476 24	127,789 36
1900		73,781 47	4,392 48	12,945 50		51 98	91,171 43
1901		75,727 18	5,095 81	13,501 46		398 23	94,722 68
1902		149,321 24	5,852 79	11,649 13		204 75	167,027 91
1903	$76,443 69	166,554 50	6,302 87	12,286 71		626 79	262,214 56
1904	86,315 30	173,064 63	6,324 46	15,417 83		244 97	281,367 19
1905	92,095 21	178,998 64	6,037 49	16,893 86	2,501 98†	997 03	297,524 21
Total	$254,854 20	1,191,828 39	51,845 69	98,865 39	42,244 70	3,703 89	1,643,342 26

EXPENDITURES.

	Exposition Site	Maintenance	Real Estate	Misc.	Total
1894		$2,876 19			$2,876 19
1895		43,305 69			43,305 69
1896		52,318 45	40,900 00		93,218 45
1897		48,738 69	24,872 58		73,611 27
1898		58,051 90	29,972 00		88,023 90
1899		55,811 21	88,347 95		144,159 16
1900		45,789 48	36,973 36		82,762 84
1901		53,687 33	35,366 34		89,053 67
1902		67,623 32	36,801 44		104,424 76
1903	$217,405 33	69,261 92	28,795 91		315,463 16
1904	26 273 08	68,224 70	186,410 76		280,908 54
1905	4,612 99	77,388 66	182,222 40	452 39‡	264 676 44
Total	$248,291 40	643,077 54	690,662 74	452 39	1,582,484 07

Balance in City Treasury, April 10, 1905			19,519 09
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1905			38,140 15
Balance in Contingent Fund, April, 1905			75 01
Amount short in Bank Fund	Through misappropriation of funds.	$3,088 89	
Amount short in Contingent Fund		35 55	3,123 94
			$1,643,342 26

* For houses on City Block 510 burned immediately after the purchase of the property.

† On Model Library.

‡ On Model Library and Barr Lot.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

The following statistics present briefly the work and progress of the year.

The collection was increased by the addition of 19,455 volumes, duly catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for use. Of these, 6,992 were gifts. The total included 456 volumes in German, 112 in French, 45 in Hebrew and 154 in various other languages.

The donations for the year numbered 7,092 volumes not all catalogued, 9,357 pamphlets from 1,234 different sources. A complete list of the donors is presented in an appendix.

The registered readers numbered, at the close of the year, 59,327. Particulars will be found under the department.

The total number of books and periodicals issued during the year was 1,334,106, a gain of 39,608 over the previous year. The number of books drawn for home and school reading was 962,538. Books used in the Library numbered 111,247 and periodicals 260,321. Full details appear later in tabular form.

REGISTRATION.

The registration for the year numbered 19,769 names. Of these 13,665 were registered for the first time and 6,104 were renewals, in accordance with the rule which requires re-registration at the end of every three years. In addition to the regular reader's card, 1,444 "extra" (non-fiction) cards were issued and 285 "teachers'" cards; 11,787 cards that had been filled were replaced by new ones; and 1,662 were lost and new ones paid for. Guaranties to the number of 104 were withdrawn or cancelled; 2,622 addresses were changed; and 28 miscellaneous notices were sent during the year.

REGISTRATION.

Total cards in force, April 30, 1904	59,476	
Registered May 1, 1904 — April 30, 1905	13,665	
		73,141
Cards expiring to April 30, 1905	19,918	
Less re-registered	6,104	
		13,814
		59,327
Total cards in force, April 30, 1905:		
Men	15,592	
Women	17,018	
Children	26,683	
Institutions	34	
		59,327

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1905.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	537	11	476	21	684
2	581	12	939	22	730
3	630	13	852	23	556
4	436	14	358	24	1,055
5	297	15	526	25	1,031
6	462	16	394	26	1,032
7	333	17	481	27	1,120
8	434	18	456	28	1,523
9	736	19	952	Suburban	384
10	1,051	20	728		
				Total	19,769

TOTAL REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

WARD.		WARD.		WARD.	
1	1,602	11	1,467	21	2,103
2	1,804	12	2,134	22	3,018
3	1,924	13	2,484	23	1,330
4	1,271	14	971	24	3,315
5	755	15	1,375	25	3,345
6	1,568	16	1,558	26	3,227
7	1,162	17	2,199	27	2,878
8	1,498	18	1,634	28	4,620
9	2,345	19	2,252	Suburban	673
10	3,138	20	1,667		
				Total	59,327

In my last report I called attention to some interesting facts in connection with the ward registration, two of which I venture to mention again:—

1. The three wards that have the largest registration lie entirely west of Grand Avenue, the city limits twenty-nine years ago.

2. The 28th ward leads all others, and this ward *begins* at 43d Street, three miles or more west of the Library and a mile beyond the former western limit of the city.

ORDER AND CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

The additions for the year numbered 19,455 volumes, including 456 volumes in the German language, 112 in French, 45 in Hebrew and 154 in other foreign languages. The number added by gift was 6,992, including 5,074 volumes donated by the publishers to the Model Library at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

The cards representing the Library of Congress have been filed as received; and at the end of the year they filled two large cabinets with 24 double drawers. This catalogue has already proved practically useful in the work of the Cataloguing Department.

The Bulletin has appeared regularly throughout the year. The editing is done by the first assistant cataloguer, while the preparation of the material falls in varying degrees on most of the members of the staff. Each cataloguer writes an additional slip for the Bulletin.

These, with the notes prepared for the Book Committee, form the material from which the "List of Additions" is made.

Twenty-seven thousand four hundred and twenty-seven cards were written and inserted in the various catalogues. Of this number 1,576 were printed cards obtained from the Library of Congress, the Library Bureau, English history and entries mounted from the Publishers' Weekly. Such cards in the classed catalogues as had been soiled through use or soot were copied from class *40a-100f* inclusive. Soiled cards in the author catalogue were copied from *A* to *Hall* inclusive.

In addition to cards noted above 10,273 shelf-list cards have been written and inserted, including cards for classes 69–69a, 69c (a–h), 71–77g, which were copied onto the small standard size card.

The task of collecting, acknowledging, cataloguing, writing book cards, pasting in pockets, cutting leaves, stamping, etc., for the Model Library was executed by the force of this department, taking the whole time of from four to seven persons during the months from May to August, inclusive. The prompt cataloguing of the Model Library was made possible through the courtesy of Dr. Putnam in furnishing the necessary printed cards. But on their receipt class numbers, subject headings and references had to be added and the cards arranged. A complete dictionary catalogue and a complete classed catalogue were both displayed, as well as a shelf-list and a separate author catalogue of those books actually on the shelves. This last was rendered necessary by the fact of the impossibility of collecting the whole number of books and the desirability of showing exactly what was on the shelves. This, in addition to the regular work of the department, was done in spite of the loss of two able assistants, Misses Howe and Gallaher, who resigned to be married.

The classified contents of the collection that constituted the Model Library exhibited at the World's Fair appears below:—

THE MODEL LIBRARY.

CLASSES.

Philosophy	109
Theology	239
Social Science	694
Natural Science and Useful Arts	801
Art and Poetry	468
Fiction	857
Juvenile Literature	510
Literary Miscellany	407
Travels and History	1,329
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	55
	5,469

SOURCE.

Purchase	395
Gift	5,074
	5,469

LANGUAGE.

English	5,425
French	5
German	26
Other	13
	5,469

The total additions for the year, divided by class, source and language, are given in the following table:—

TOTAL ADDITIONS (INCLUDING THE MODEL LIBRARY) FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30TH, 1905.

Classes	Reg. Library	Coll. of Duplicates	Totals
Philosophy	215		215
Theology	564		564
Social Science	2,006		2,006
Natural Science and Useful Arts	1,966		1,966
Art and Poetry	1,099	5	1,104
Fiction	2,354	742	3,096
Juvenile Literature	6,729	2	6 731
Literary Miscellany	1,086		1,086
Travels and History	2,215	3	2,218
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	469		469
	18,703	752	19,455
Source			
Purchase	11,108	752	11,860
Gift	6,992		6,992
Pamphlets, bound	21		21
Periodicals, bound	582		582
	18,703	752	19,455
Language			
English	17,916	752	18,668
French	112		112
German	476		476
Other	199		199
	18 703	752	19,455

Periodicals to complete sets, 139. Hebrew books added, 45.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC., 1904–5.

Withdrawn		3,564
Lost and paid for		258
Burned on account of contagious disease		2
Sold		9
Charged to borrowers and not returned:		
For reading-room use	25	
For home use	97	
Model Library	18	140
Books lost at schools, 1903–4 (not reported last year)	60	
Books lost at schools, 1904–5	20	80
Missouri Building fire, 1904		585
Total		4,638
Total additions	19,455	
Less above	4,638	
Net increase	14,817	

Of the 3,564 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 1,862 were replaced by new copies, as were also 98 volumes out of 258 lost and paid for; and two that had been mutilated were paid for.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

Taking the inventory of 1903 as a basis and adding the net increase of the years 1903–4 and 1904–5, we obtain the contents at the end of this year.

Total contents of Library, April 30, 1903	165,658
Net increase May 1, 1903 — April 30, 1904	9,920
Net increase May 1, 1904 — April 30, 1905	14,817
Total contents, April 30, 1905	190,395

SOME NOTEWORTHY ADDITIONS: ARRANGED IN ORDER OF CLASS.

Hall, G. S. Adolescence. 1904. 2 v. O.	4b
Weise, J. H. Zur Geschichte jüdischen Tradition. 1904. 5 v. in 3. O.	14
St. Louis. *City Council.* Ordinances. 1–5317, 5321–6152, 8088–8285, 9463–9755, 11153–11305, 12993–14404, 14459–15058. 29 v. D.	29c
Howard, G. E. History of matrimonial institutions. 1904. 3 v. O.	29m
Moody, J., *ed.* Moody's manual of corporation securities. c1904. O.	30d
St. Louis. *Louisiana Purchase Exposition.* Official catalogue. 1904. O.	35e
Robinson, H. Hydraulic power. 1904. O.	40
Meyer, J. G. A. Modern locomotive construction. 1904. F.	40b
Pettigrew, W. F. Manual of locomotive engineering. 1901. O.	40b
Robinson, W. Gas and petroleum engines. 1902. 2 v. O.	40b
Barker, G. F., *ed.* Roentgen rays. 1899. O.	43a

CYCLOPAEDIA OF APPLIED ELECTRICITY. 1905. 5 v. O. 43a
ZITTEL, K. A. Text-book of paleontology. 1900–2. 2 v. O. 48c
SARGENT, C. S. Manual of trees of North America, excluding Mexico. 1905. O. 49b
PARKER, T. J., *and* Haswell, W. A. Text-book of zoology. 1897. 2 v. O. 50
STUDER, J. H. Birds of North America. 1903. F4. 50a
GARRISH, F. H. Text-book of anatomy. 1902. O. Ma
FENNER, B. Twentieth century formulary. 1904. O. Mc6c
LEACH, A. E. Food inspection and analysis. 1904. Q. Mr5
HAYES, M. H. Points of the horse. 1904. Q. 57c2
SACHS, E. O. Facts on fire prevention. 1902. 2 v. O. 61b
MASON, O. T. Indian basketry. 1904. 2 v. Q. 61c
HOFMAN, H. O. Metallurgy of lead. 1904. O. 63a
JULIAN, H. F., *and* Smart, E. Cyaniding gold and silver ores. 1904. O. 63a
WALTON, W. World's Columbian Exposition; art and architecture. [c1893.] 11 v. F5 65
BUEHLMANN, J. Architecture of classical antiquity; orders of columns, [*etc.*] [1902.] F5. 65a
CRAM, R. A. English country churches. 1898. F. 65a
KING, T. H. Study book of mediaeval architecture. 1893. 4 v. F. 65a
AMERICAN artists and works. [c1889.] 2 v. F4. 65e
WHARTON, *Mrs.* E. Italian villas. 1904. Q. 65L
CARMAN, B., *ed.* World's best poetry. [c1904.] 10 v. O. 67
MENENDEZ Y PELAYO, M. Antologia de poetas liricos castellanos. 1890–1903. 11 v. D. 68sp
REAL ACADEMIA ESPAÑOLA. Antologia de poetas hispano americano. 1893–5. 4 v. O. 68sp
WEBSTER, D. Writings and speeches. 18 v. O. 76a
HOBBES, T. English works. 1839-45. 11 v. O. 76b
MCCARTHY, J., *ed.* Irish literature. [c1904.] 10 v. O. 77b
HAIN, L. Repertorium bibliographicum; sup. 1895–1902. 2 v. in 3. O. 78b
NEW SOUTH WALES. *Public Library.* Catalogue, Index and Sup. 1895–1903. 5 v. Q. 78l
THWAITES, R. G., *ed.* Original journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. v. 1–4. 1904. 83c
FITZGERALD, E. A. Highest Andes. 1899. O. 83f
WRIGHT, G. F. Asiatic Russia. 1902. 2 v. O. 85c
OGAWA, K., *and* Crizuka, M. Charming views of the land of the rising sun. 1904. Ob. Q. 85d
WILLIAMS, H. S. Historian's history of the world. 1904. 25 v. Q. 89
MERIVALE, C. History of the Romans under the first empire. 1896–1904. 8 v. 90b
PEARS, E. Destruction of the Greek empire. 1903. O. 90b
GOODSPEED, W. A., *ed.* The province and the states. 1904. 7 v. O. 91

HART, A. B., *ed.* The American nation. 1904. 5 v. O. 91
PENNSYLVANIA. *Legislature.* History of the Pennsylvania volunteers, 1861–5. 1869–70. 5 v. Q. 91c
HISTORY OF SALINE CO., Mo. 1881. Q. 91d
AKERS, C. E. History of South America. 1904. O. 92d
BRIGHT, J. F. History of England. 1897–1904. 5 v. D. 93a
MACKINNON, J. Growth and decline of the French monarchy. 1902. O. 94c
BLAIR, E. H., *and* ROBERTSON, J. A., *eds.* Philippine Islands. 1493–1803 1903. 20 v. O. 95e
NEBEL, C. War between the U. S. and Mexico. 1851. F6. 96b
OBERHOLTZER, E. P. Robert Morris. [1904.] Q. 96d
ALLGEMEINE deutsche Biographie. 1875–1904. 49 v. O. 97a
MARBOT, M., *Baron* de. Memoirs. 1892. 2 v. O. 97b
WHITE, A. D. Autobiography. 1905. 2 v. O. 97b
MAYFLOWER descendant. 1899–1904. 6 v. O. 97c
DICCIONARIO-encyclopedico hispano-americano. 1887–99. 25 v. in 26. F. 99
LAROUSSE, P. Nouveau Larousse. n. d. 9 v. F. 99c

DONATIONS AND EXCHANGES.

The donation list for the year included 7,092 volumes, 9,357 pamphlets, 5 photographs, 4 maps and 67 autograph letters. Of the books 5,074 volumes were given by publishers to the Model Library; and 158 volumes and 3,135 pamphlets were obtained from various exhibitors at the Fair. A new donation check-list has been prepared which will probably contain ultimately about 2,000 entries of state and city and foreign departments, universities, schools, railroads and other institutions and corporations that issue publications.

Our Bulletin was sent regularly to about 300 libraries; our Annual Report went to 384 libraries, and our Fiction Catalogue to 38 libraries. We returned to the Government 52 volumes of duplicate United States publications; and through the courtesy of the editor and translator, Mr. Adolph Hepner, and Messrs. Gustav Cramer, Chas. Nagel and Edw. C. Kehr, we distributed to 49 libraries copies of E. B. Washburne's interesting work, entitled "America's Aid to Germany."

The most valuable gift *in books* that the Library has ever received is what is called the A. L. A. or Model Library Collection, before referred to. Among the larger donations obtained at the time of the World's Fair was a collection of 67 volumes and 1,007 pamphlets given by Mr. Tarleton H. Bean, Chief of the Division of Forestry, Fish and Game. Other noteworthy gifts were 9 volumes of the Rerum Italicarum Scriptores, from Dr. Guido Biagi, of Florence; 18 volumes,

284 pamphlets from Hon. F. M. Cockrell; 192 volumes from Major T. D. Kimball; 62 volumes of directories from the Gould Directory Co.; 18 volumes and 36 pamphlets from the Argentine Commissioner to the World's Fair, and 67 autograph letters from Mr. George Iles.

BINDING.

During the year 1699 volumes of periodicals and books bought in paper covers were bound at an average cost of 66 cents per volume; 8,515 volumes were rebound at a cost of $3,538.55, at an average of 41½ cents; and 1,346 volumes were repaired by contract for $345.15, an average of 25½ cents. There were also 10,654 volumes repaired in the library at a cost of $360 for salary and $20.49 for materials. The repairs ranged from patching or inserting a few leaves to supplying new covers. The average cost was less than 4 cents a volume.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

RECORDS AND NOTICES.

I cannot better set forth the work of this sub-department than by repeating the statement made in my last annual report.

Its functions embrace a large amount of routine work. Here are gathered all the business details of the circulation department. The recovery of over-due books, the recording and collating of statistics, correspondence with card holders, re-writing of book cards, typewriting book lists, the ordering care and distribution of stationery and supplies and numberless odds and ends, each item, seemingly of little importance in itself, but in the aggregate a most important factor in the succeesful operation of the Library. This work for the most part is done by 'prentice hands, for here it is that the newcomer enters the service, and under the direction of the clerk in charge,— an experienced assistant—, learns the first lessons of system and order and attention to detail, which form the foundation of future fitness for higher work. In the daily routine come the rewriting of book cards (the first card is written in the catalogue room) and the sending of notices for books overdue.

During the year 38,047 book cards were rewritten, and 18,900 notices were sent for overdue books,— 14,167 first notices, 3,697 second and 1,036 third. The third notice for an overdue book is followed by a call by a messenger. During the year 340 such calls were made; 85 books were brought back by the messenger; 210 were shortly returned by the card holder; and 14 more were secured through the guarantors, leaving 31 that had not been recovered at the close of the

year. The holders of these could not be found. These 31 are included in the 97 books reported lost. Twelve volumes were lost at the delivery stations; three were stolen; and the balance were unaccounted for.

Among the chief items of other routine correspondence were 2,276 notices sent to infected houses, directing occupants to hand over to the health officers any library books they may have had*; 1,136 notices of books reserved, and 412 miscellaneous notices, besides many letters of greater or less length supplying information or straightening out difficulties or answering minor complaints. All serious complaints (an exceedingly small number) and requests for bibliographical or general information go directly to the Librarian for reply.

CIRCULATION.

This year included the seven months when the Louisiana Purchase Exposition was open and the city all agog over the marvels and frolics of the Fair. Both natural reasoning and the experience of Chicago and Buffalo led us to expect a decrease in the circulation. It is, therefore, as remarkable as it is gratifying that there was an increase of nearly 23,000 volumes in the number of books drawn for home reading and a gain of nearly 40,000 in the total issue of books and periodicals. Full particulars regarding the circulation by months, by classes of books and the channels and agencies through which the books were distributed, will be found in the following tables:

ISSUE STATISTICS.

Home Issue.		
Main Desk		185,135
Open Shelves	156,958	
Collection of Duplicates	32,021	188,979
Juvenile Department.		
Drawn from Library	81,784	
Supplementary Reading	200,402	
Depositories	58,008	340,194
Delivery Stations		248,230
Total Home Issue		962,538
Total Library Issue		111,247
Total Issue of Books		1,073,785
Total Issue of Periodicals		260,321
Total Issue in all Departments		1,334,106

* It is not to be inferred that library books were in all these houses or any considerable portion of them. When we receive the daily report from the Health Office we do not stop to ascertain whether a book has been drawn by a resident of the house reported, but we at once send a notice directing the household not to return library books (if they happen to have any) but to turn them over to the health officers, who in mild cases disinfects them and in more serious cases burns them.

The above table discloses these rather interesting and significant facts: —

1. Of the 374,114 volumes drawn by adults who came to the Library 188,979 — a little more than half — were selected by the readers themselves from the few thousand volumes that are on the open shelves, including the new books, the "Collection of Duplicates," and a miscellaneous collection comprising books of all classes and various grades, chosen to suit all tastes and changed from week to week. This indicates the use that will be made of an adequate "open-shelf room" containing ten or fifteen thousand volumes.

2. Of the total issue for home reading, 506,640 volumes, more than half, were delivered to readers through stations, schools and other outside agencies.

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	HOME ISSUE.						
	MAIN LIBRARY	DELIVERY STATIONS	SCHOOLS AND DEPOSITORIES	TOTAL	LIBRARY	PERIODICALS	TOTALS
May.....	36,174	25,864	31,855	93,893	8,366	22,867	125,126
June.....	33,095	18,976	4,715	56,786	7,081	19,152	83,019
July.....	33,194	15,766		48,960	6,075	15,481	70,516
August....	34,500	15,539		50,039	7,113	16,188	73,340
September.	33,197	13,805	3,273	50,275	6,864	15,266	72,405
October....	37,345	18,723	16,719	72,787	7,045	21,165	100,997
November..	39,112	20,987	28,005	88,104	9,821	23,550	121,475
December..	36,728	19,089	23,410	79,227	11,538	24,438	115,203
January...	41,663	20,972	32,923	95,558	12,994	28,126	136,678
February..	43,321	22,735	34,673	100,729	12,161	26,493	139,383
March. ...	47,238	29,630	42,446	119,314	12,903	26,375	158,592
April.....	40,331	26,144	40,391	106,866	9,286	21,220	137,372
Total....	455,898	248,230	258,410	962,538	111,247	260,321	1,334,106
1904	462,711	277,447	199,465	939,623	111,662	243,213	1,294,498
Loss	6,813	29,217			415		
or Gain			58,945	22,915		17,108	39,608

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	HOME ISSUE	PER CENT	LIBRARY ISSUE	PER CENT	TOTAL OF BOOKS	PER CENT
Philosophy.....	3,768	.39	1,393	1.25	5,161	.48
Religion.....	4,009	.41	3,316	2.98	7,325	.68
Social Science.....	9,467	.98	16,661	14.98	26,128	2.43
Natural Science and Useful Arts.....	19,350	2.01	13,843	12.44	33,193	3.09
Arts.....	4,640	.48	8,741	7.86	13,381	1.25
Poetry.....	12,399	1.29	3,462	3.11	15,861	1.47
Fiction, regular	402,285	41.78	12,875	11.57	415,160	38.65
Coll. of Dup.....	32,021	3.33			32,021	2.98
Juvenile.....	426,633	44.35	1,105	.99	427,738	39.86
Literary Miscellany.	12,713	1.32	6,370	5.73	19,083	1.78
Travels.	8,773	.91	4,265	3.84	13,038	1.21
Biographies	7,865	.82	6,422	5.77	14,287	1.33
Cyclo. and Mag....	6,778	.70	26,267	23.61	33,045	3.08
Total.....	962,538	100.00	111,247	100.00	1,073,785	100.00

SUMMARIES.

	1903-1904.	1904-1905.
Home issue, regular library	902,317	930,517
Home issue, coll. of duplicates	37,306	32,021
	939,623	962,538
Library issue	111,662	111,247
Total issue of books	1,051,285	1,073,785
Reading-room issue	243,213	260,321
Total issue in all departments	1,294,498	1,334,106
Gain in 1904-1905 over 1903-1904		39,608

LARGEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 1905.

Main desk	1,210
Open shelves	1,009
Juveniles	3,250
Delivery stations	1,324
Total home issue	6,793
Library issue	783
Reading-room issue	922
Total issue in all departments	8,518

SMALLEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, THURSDAY, JULY 14, 1904.

Main desk	419
Open shelves	431
Juveniles	178
Delivery stations	566
Total home issue	1,594
Library issue	211
Reading-room issue	514
Total issue in all departments	2,319

LARGEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JAN. 29, 1905.

Library issue	280
Reading room issue	509
Total	789

SMALLEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JULY 17, 1904.

Library issue	48
Reading room issue	223
Total	271

TOTAL SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	7,471
Reading room issue	19,026
Total	26,497

AVERAGE SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	143
Reading room issue	366
Total	509

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	2,638
Library issue	305
Reading room	713
Total	3,656

AVERAGE WEEK-DAY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,077
Library issue	332
Reading room issue	770
Total	4,179

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1904-1905.

	HOME.	LIBRARY.	R. R.	TOTAL.
Decoration Day	1,572	299	852	2,723
June 8 (Liberty Bell Day)	1,625	182	592	2,399
Fourth of July	136	70	320	526
Labor Day	1,118	263	298	1,879
Thanksgiving	2,820	563	910	4,293
Dec. 1 (Francis Day)	756			756
Christmas (Monday 26)	169	260		994
New Year's (Monday 2)	2,018	360	982	3,360
Washington's Birthday	3,506	488	998	4,992
Total	13,720	2,485	5,717	21,922
Average	1,525	276	634	2,435

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05
11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984	35,816	41,263	42,933	37,306	32,021

TOTAL ISSUE BY YEARS SINCE THE LIBRARY WAS MADE FREE.

	'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01'-02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05
Home	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,389	707,823	740,179	778,507	902,768	939,623	962,538
Ref. & Lib.	40,628	46,082	51,240	69,070	65 732	69,966	70,606	95,106	101,971	111,662	111,247
Reading R.	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,733	201,886	187,812	208,757	232,892	243,213	260,321
Total....	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675	998,597	1,082,370	1,237,631	1,294,498	1,334,106

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

While the influence of the World's Fair naturally *tended* to lessen the number of books drawn for home reading,—though as shown, the actual number was not reduced—it appeared to have—and that, too, seems natural—the opposite effect on the use of the reference department during the preparatory period. The increased number of persons in the reference room for two years before the opening of the Fair was apparent to the eye. That it was the Fair that brought them there was also evident in many cases from the kind of information they asked for.

Many were in search of statistics of fairs (attendance, financial success, effect upon cities, etc.,) and the history of the Louisiana Purchase. The greater number, however, wished to study architecture, sculpture and decoration, preparatory to an enjoyment of the St. Louis Exposition. Architects and exhibitors made use of the architectural works; and a few foreign visitors studied the social and business conditions of the United States. There was also an unusually large call for dictionaries of various languages.

My inference as to the influence of the Fair in stimulating inquiry and research is strengthened by a decrease of the recorded issue in this department this year, after a marked increase the two preceding years. This year included the World's Fair period; but the study was not done during the exhibition, but during the preparatory period. The record for the year ending with April, 1902, showed a total of 74,751 volumes; for the year ending with April, 1903, 82,462 volumes; for the year ending with April, 1904, 86,835; and for the year reported on, ending with April, 1905, the total declined to 81,094.

As explained in previous reports, it is impossible, in a room where everyone is free to help himself, to obtain even an approximately accurate record: we simply know that the recorded issue is always considerably less than the real figures. The following table gives the issue by months, showing, as usual, the highest figures in March.

RECORDED USE OF BOOKS IN REFERENCE ROOM.

May, 1904	6,145	November, 1904	6,868
June, 1904	5,492	December, 1904	8,675
July, 1904	4,242	January, 1905	9,175
August, 1904	5,074	February, 1905	8,669
September, 1904	5,069	March, 1905	9,644
October, 1904	4,839	April, 1905	7,202
Total			81,094

The growth of the reference work is clearly shown by the number of reference books issued in the month of March for the last eleven years.

REFERENCE RECORD FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.

1895	1180	1901	6573
1896	1918	1902	8715
1897	1893	1903	9195
1898	3782	1904	10291
1899	3198	1905	9644
1900	4364		

DELIVERY STATIONS.

Books issued through the delivery stations numbered 248,230 volumes, a decrease of 29,217 compared with the previous year.

There were issued through the Central High School, 8,941 books; through the McKinley High School, 3,857; and through the Yeatman High School, 776. At the Ames, 4,988 volumes were issued; at the Columbia, 4,349; at the Blair, 4,304; and at the Elleardville, 901.

About half the loss above reported is attributed to a change in the method of issuing books at the Central High School. Formerly they were given out for one day; now the time is from four days to two weeks. The rest of the loss is probably due to the removal of station keepers from favorable locations, where they had been remarkably successful in gathering a clientage.

The following changes were made during the year: Station 22, Grand and Finney, owing to the removal of the proprietor from this prominent corner opposite the Central High School, was moved to 3301 Easton Avenue; Station 43, from 4865 St. Louis Avenue, to Easton and Taylor; Station 32, from Laclede and Boyle, to Laclede and Newstead; Station 27, from Grand, between Lindell and Pine, to Grand and

Pine; Station 36, from Natural Bridge Road and Newstead, to 2824 Marcus; Station 44, from Broadway and Marion, to 1632 South Broadway; Station 49, from Olive and Whittier to Sarah and McPherson; Station 54, from Sarah and Chouteau, to Page and Kingshighway.

Beginning October 1, 1904, and continuing for a period of 6 months ending March 31, 1905, a daily record was kept, by wards, of the number of books issued through the delivery stations, school collections, and depository libraries. This record was kept for the purpose of ascertaining what districts made most use of the library without coming to the main library, and inferentially, in what localities the new branch libraries would be most useful.

Of the Library's total issue for these six months, amounting to 566,462, there were issued through the medium of the delivery stations, school collections and depository libraries, 310,312 volumes.

Of the total registration of new members, and re-registration of old members, amounting to 12,911, the stations and schools had 5,455 for the six months.

The wards having the largest issue of books generally had the largest registration.

The following is the count by wards of the issue of books through schools and delivery stations:

WARDS.	ISSUE.	WARDS.	ISSUE.	WARDS.	ISSUE.
1	22,744	12	20,219	22	9,228
2	10,291	13	13,793	23	12,204
3	5,918	14	759	24	17,306
5	1,800	15	3,338	25	10,605
6	4,144	16	4,484	26	11,271
7	12,398	17	7,964	27	11,685
8	10,785	18	880	28	26,994
9	18,594	19	14,516		
10	12,468	20	32,683	Totals,	310,312
11	3,688	21	9,553		

The table below gives by wards the registration of cards through delivery stations:

WARDS.	REGISTRATION.	WARDS.	REGISTRATION.	WARDS.	REGISTRATION.
1	259	12	580	22	119
2	242	13	347	23	85
3	13	14	8	24	231
5	2	15		25	547
6	43	16	145	26	172
7	80	17	160	27	309
8	171	18		28	190
9	589	19	292		
10	201	20	422		5,455
11	69	21	179		

The wards having an issue of over 12,000 for the period, or of over 2,000 per month are given below, with the number of delivery stations and schools through which the books are issued:

WARD.	ISSUE.	REGISTRATION.	SERVED BY DEL. STA.	SCHOOLS.
20	32,683	422	4	4
28	26,994	190	6	4
1	22,744	259	2	9
9	18,594	589	2	2
12	20,219	580	2	3
24	17,306	231	4	11
13	13,793	347	3	5
19	14,516	292	5	1
10	12.468	201	2	5
7	12,398	80	2	4
23	12,204	85	1	3

The site for the first, or Barr, branch is on the boundary line between the 12th and 13th Ward, each having a monthly issue of about 2,500 and a registration of about 40.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

There is a steady growth in this department. The number of volumes drawn by visitors to the Library was somewhat smaller than that of the previous year; but this was more than balanced by the increase in circulation through the schools. Books called for by card-holders aggregated 81,784 against 91,365 the previous year, a decrease of 9,581. To make good this loss is a gain of 5,856 volumes in the issue from school depository libraries, and of 53,089 in the circulation of supplementary sets. This year 93 rooms were supplied with depository collections, from which were issued 60,503 volumes. The previous year collections were placed in 82 rooms and the issue was 54,647. This shows a gain of 5,856 for this year.

The supplementary reading shows a much greater gain, 197,907 to 144,818, an increase of 53,089. Miss Krug attributes this gain partly to the growing appreciation by teachers of the aid given them in their school work by the general reading supplied by the Library, and partly to our improved facilities for transportation. The rooms having collections made good use of them, and reported weekly.

Of the 78 white schools, 67 used the supplementary sets, and 11 did not. Of the 12 colored schools, 7 used them, and five did not. Supplementary sets were also sent to nine evening schools (8 public and 1 Jewish); to the St. Louis University, St. Matthew's and Holy Rosary Schools.

The report in detail follows. The first table shows schools that served

as depositories and the work done by each; the second shows the issue by months from both the depositories and the sets of supplementary reading.

REPORT OF DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES, 1904–1905.

SCHOOLS.	ROOMS.	BOOKS.	WEEKS.	TOTAL ISSUE.	AVERAGE PER WEEK.
Ashland	1	50	17	1,391	88
Benton	1	25	15	248	17
Bryan Hill	1	40	9	187	21
Charless	7	220	31	3,485	112
Clinton	4	153	6	848	141
Columbia	9	486	34	8,486	250
Eliot	15	400	31	11,910	384
Elleardville	1	38	3	60	20
Emerson	6	264	32	8,449	264
Fremont	3	138	35	4,064	116
Froebel	12	350	30	7,456	249
Gardenville	1	30	10	180	18
Garfield	4	185	4	594	149
Gratiot	2	100	29	1,692	58
Harrison	3	89	25	529	21
Hodgen	5	131	17	835	49
Irving	3	80	19	733	39
Laclede	1	30	5	90	18
Lyon	2	110	21	1,431	68
Madison	1	41	3	73	24
Mount Pleasant	1	23	3	23	8
Oak Hill	4	119	20	2,327	116
Riddick	1	25	9	45	5
Shepard	4	116	32	1,579	49
Sherman	1	25	30	819	27
Walnut Park	4	110	20	1,366	68
Washington	3	105	26	954	37
Webster	2	60	10	559	56
Wyman	1	30	3	90	30
Total	93	3,573		60,503	

REPORT OF SCHOOLS, 1904–1905.

	SUP. R.	DEPOS.	TOTAL.
May	23,555	8,300	31,855
June	4,166	549	4,715
September	3,273		3,273
October	13,221	3,498	16,719
November	22,195	5,810	28,005
December	18,336	5,074	23,410
January	25,454	7,469	32,923
February	26,048	8,625	34,673
March	32,531	9,915	42,446
April	29,128	11,263	40,391
Total	197,907	60,503	258,410

To the collection for supplementary reading these 41 new sets were added:

Grade 1–2.

Grover	The Overall boys	2 sets.
Smythe	Primary reader	5 sets.

Grade 2–3.

Bakewell	True fairy stories	5 sets.
Pyle	Prose and verse for children	3 sets.

Grade 3–4.

Bayliss	Lolami in Tusayan	3 sets.

Grade 5–6.

Baldwin	Wonder book of horses	3 sets.
Boult	Heroes of the Norselands	1 set.
Hanson	Stories of the days of King Arthur.	1 set.
Nibelungenlied	Story of the Rhinegold (Chapin)	3 sets.
Pyle	Some merry adventures of Robin Hood	3 sets.
Spyri	Heidi	3 sets.
Thompson	Krag and Johnny Bear	3 sets.

Grade 7–8.

Dickens	Tale of two cities.	1 set.
Hugo	Ninety-three	1 set.
Lamb	Tales from Shakespeare	1 set.
Scott	Kenilworth	1 set.
Tennyson	Enoch Arden and other poems	1 set.

Two sets: Lang, "Snowdrop" and Wiltse, "Folklore stories" were worn out and replaced.

	Sets.	Copies.
Sets on hand June, 1904	474	14,085
Worn out and not replaced or put in circulation	9	250
	465	13,835
New sets added	41	1,230
Duplicate sets added	70	2,100
Sets on hand April 30, 1905	576	17,165

Out of the 197,907 issues from the supplementary sets, 54 books were lost; and 35 were paid for. Out of the 60,503 issues from the

depository collections, three volumes were lost; two of these were paid for; and the third was lost in transportation and not recovered.

In closing her statistical report, Miss Krug says:—

"I wish to state that in our work with the schools there seems to be a gradual, normal, healthy growth from year to year. Yet, large as the issue from the supplementary collection has been, there is still much room for development. Every year more schools come in as borrowers; but the use of the books varies greatly in different schools. While some have called for sets from September till June, others have used them at intervals only. Again some had twenty-five or thirty sets at one time and put these to excellent use, while others were satisfied with five or six sets.

"In some schools the principals enthusiastically recommended the sets to their teachers; in other schools teachers took the initiative and with the consent of the principal ordered their sets. Of course, the best results are obtained where both are eager for the books.

"In closing I must add that we had a very pleasant surprise when Mrs. M. E. Huse gave us a handsome fund to be spent in supplying the children's room with flowers during the bleak wintry weather. The children appreciated this greatly."

From the first we have given special attention to the books for the youngest children, the first three grades; but not till this year was our supply of books for the grades sufficient. This year, however, the supply met the demand in all grades.

MODEL LIBRARY.

In my last report I gave a detailed account of the genesis, organization and purpose of the "Model Library" at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. It remains only to report, by the following statistics, the practical use that was made of it as a working library. It must be remembered, however, that this was not its primary or principal purpose.

REGISTRATION.

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
August	47	19	6	72
September	19	14	2	35
October	14	5		19
November	6	1		7
Total	86	39	8	133

USE OF BOOKS.

	Home Issue.	Reference Issue.	Total.
June, 1904	25		25
July, 1904	118		118
August, 1904	302		302
September, 1904	449	448	897
October, 1904	426	349	775
November, 1-12, 1904	195	71	266
Total issue June 1 to Nov. 12			2,383
Books issued at Model Library, and not returned.			18

STAFF.

During the year we lost Misses Howe and Gallaher, two trained cataloguers, who left to be married; Mr. W. B. A. Taylor, who took charge of the Mercantile Library of Cincinnati, Oct. 1; Mr. Everett R. Perry, who resumed his college course at Harvard, and Mr. Richard Ulrich, who was appointed librarian of the military post at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. I take pleasure in testifying to the industry, earnestness, faithfulness and efficiency of the staff.

It seems unnecessary to present evidence or argument to a body of men who have shown their belief in the value of a public library by giving their time and talents for years to this institution; and it seems equally a work of supererogation to point out the benefits of such an institution to a community that has given this Library such generous support; but opinions of others, especially the wise and the expert, in confirmation of our faith, can never fail to please.

In his "Review of the Educational Progress of the Year," before the National Council of Education in July, 1905, Dr. Howard J. Rogers, formerly chief of the education department of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, and now Assistant Commissioner of Education of New York State, said:

"The number of free libraries is rapidly increasing from year to year; and in the light of its supplementary function to the public school, library growth is one of the brightest signs of the times * *

"The common school has thrown wide the door of opportunity, and its work must be carried to completion by the public library."

Respectfully submitted,

FRED'K M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Jan. 28, 1906.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edward L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the year ending April 30, 1905, on account of city appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 27th day of March, nineteen hundred and six.

(Seal.) JESSIE PURCELL,
Notary Public.

My term expires October 12, 1908.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS. }

Before the undersigned, a notary public, within and for the City of St. Louis appeared F. M. Crunden, Librarian of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the Board of Directors of the St. Louis Public (Free) Library is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) F. M. CRUNDEN,
Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 28th day of March, nineteen hundred and six.

(Seal.) OTTO L. ZELLE,
Notary Public,
City of St. Louis, Mo.

My term expires November 8, 1909.

APPENDIX.

DONATIONS.

MAY 1, 1904 — APRIL 30, 1905.

7,092 volumes and 9,357 pamphlets, 2 binders, 5 photographs, 4 maps, catalogue cards and 67 autograph letters were received from 1,234 sources as follows:

	Vols.	Pphs.
Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia		1
Academy of Science of St. Louis.		18
Adams Nervine Asylum. *Boston.*		1
Adventure Consolidated Copper Co. *N. Y.*		6
Alabama. Agric. Exp. Sta		4
—— Geological Survey		3
Alaska Packers Assoc. *San Francisco*	1	
Albany. Bd. of Education		1
Alexander, F. E. *St. Louis*	110	
All Souls Church. *Chicago*		2
Allegheny. Carnegie Library		3
Allen, G. *London*	5	
Allen, Lane & Scott. *Philadelphia*	1	
Allis-Chalmers Co. *Milwaukee*	12	13
Allyn, *Mrs.* C. G. *Dubuque*	1	1
Amack, F. *St. Louis*		33
American Anti-Vivisection Society. *Philadelphia*		1
American Art Annual. *N. Y.*		2
American Art in Bronze and Iron. *N. Y*		1
American Bankers Assoc. *N. Y.*	1	
American Baptist Publishing Society. *Philadelphia*	2	
American Bd. of Commrs. for Foreign Missions. *Boston.*		3
American Book Co. *N. Y.*	78	
American Church Missionary Society. *N. Y.*		6
American Civic Assoc. *Philadelphia*	18	138
American Congregational Assoc. *Boston.*		1
American Federationist. *Washington*		2
American Field Pub. Co. *Chicago*		2
American Free Trade League. *Boston.*		2
American Humane Education Society. *Boston*	1	
American Injector Co. *Detroit.*		1
American Institute of Architects. *Washington*		3
American Institute of Electrical Engineers. *N. Y.*		2
American Institute of Homoeopathy. *N. Y.*	1	1
American Institute of Sacred Literature. *Chicago.*		1
American-Irish Historical Society. *Boston.*	1	
American Jewish Historical Society. *N. Y.*		1
American Library Association. *Boston*	8	64
American Medico-Psychological Assoc. *Flint, Mich.*	1	
American Numismatic and Archæological Society. *N. Y*		1
American Peace Society *Boston.*	1	
American Pediatric Society. *Washington*	1	
American Pneumatic Service Co. *Boston*		1
American Public Health Association. *Rochester*	1	
American School Board Journal. *Milwaukee*	1 photo.	
American School of Household Economics. *Chicago*		1
American Social Science Association. *New Haven*		1
American Society of Civil Engineers. *N. Y.*	2	1
American Statistical Association. *Boston*		1
American Street Railway Association. *Chicago*		1
American Thresherman. *Madison, Wis.*	1	
American Tobacco Co. *N. Y.*		2
American Tract Society. *N. Y.*	3	
American Type Founders Co. *Jersey City*		4
American Unitarian Assoc. *Boston*	4	4
Amherst College. *Amherst, Mass.*		1
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Malmene, *Prof.* W. *St. Louis*	1	...
Manchester, *Eng.* Free Public Libraries		5
Manchester, *N. H.* City Library.		2
Manning, W. *and* R. *Bristol, Eng*	1	
Mansion House Committee. *London*		2
Maple Publishing Co. *N. Y.*		1
Marine Engineering. *N. Y*	1	
Marquis (A. N.) & Co. *Chicago.*	1	
Marshall (H.) & Son. *London*	4	
Maryland. Geological Survey	2	1
—— State Library	1	
—— Statistics and Information Bur		1
Mason, P. *Boston*	3	
Massachusetts. Agricultural College	1	5
—— Auditor	1	
Board of Commrs. of Savings Banks	2	
—— Board of Education	1	
—— Board of Prison Commrs	1	1
—— Board of Registration in Medicine		9
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor		9
—— Commissions on Fisheries and Game		1
—— Harbor and Land Commissioners	1	
—— Metropolitan Park Commission	1	
—— Railroad Commissioners	2	
—— Secretary of the Commonwealth	11	
—— State Board of Charity	1	
—— State Board of Conciliation and Arbitration	2	
—— State Board of Health	11	
—— State Library	4	3
—— Trustees of Public Reservations		1
Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Auxiliary. *Boston*		6
Massachusetts General Hospital. *Boston*	1	
Massachusetts Institute of Technology. *Boston*		4
Mauran, J. S. *St. Louis*	...	1
Maynard, Merrill & Co. *N. Y.*	1	1
Merchants Association of N. Y. *N. Y*		2
Merriam (G. & C.) Co. *Springfield, Mass*	2	
Methodist Book Concern. *N. Y.*	8	
Metzenbaum, *Dr.* M. *Cleveland.*		1
Meushaw, L. G. *Brooklyn*	1	
Mexico. Dirección General de Estadistica		4
—— Secretaria de Estado y del Despacho de Hacienda y Credito Publico		27
—— Secretaria de Fomento, Colonization é Industria		4
Meyer, C. *Hanover, Germany*	1	
Meyer Bros. Drug Co. *St Louis.*		1
Michigan. Auditor General	1	
—— Labor Bureau	1	
—— State Agric. College		13
—— State Board of Health	4	18
—— State Library		1
Michigan Central, Grand Rapids and Indiana Railway		2
Michigan Library Association		1
Milwaukee. Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— City Service Commrs		1
—— Health Dept		12
—— Public Library	...	5
Minneapolis. Board of Park Commrs		2

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Minneapolis. City Officers	2	
—— Public Library		2
Minneapolis School of Fine Arts		1
Minneapolis Society of Fine Arts		1
Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commn	1	
—— State Library Commission		2
Mississippi. Dept. of Archives and history	1	
Missouri. Adjutant General	2	
—— Auditor	5	
—— Bureau of Geology and Mines	2	6
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics and Inspection	3	1
—— Commission to the Louisiana Purchase Exp		5
—— Factory Inspector		1
—— Fish Commission		1
—— Inspector of Coal Mines	1	
—— Inspectors of State Lead and Zinc Mines	1	
—— Insurance Dept.	3	
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commrs.	1	
—— School for the Deaf		1
—— Secretary of State		3
—— State Board of Agriculture	2	1
—— State Board of Charities		3
—— State Board of Examiners of Barbers		1
—— State Fruit Exp. Sta		4
—— State Historical Society		61
—— State Normal School		1
—— State Supt. of Public Schools	3	
—— Treasurer	2	
Missouri and Kansas Telephone Co. *Kansas City*		8
Missouri Botanical Garden. *St. Louis*	2	
Missouri Historical Society. *St. Louis*		2
Missouri Pacific Railway Co. *St. Louis*		2
Missouri Pharmaceutical Assoc. *St. Louis*		1
Missouri Valley College. *Marshall, Mo*		4
Missouri Wesleyan College. *Cameron, Mo*		1
Mohonk Lake Arbitration Conference		2
Montana Historical Library. *Helena*		3
Montclair, *N. J.* Public Library		2
Moody, *Miss* K. T. *Webster Groves, Mo*	41	13
Moon, R. G. *St. Louis*		3
Moore, R. *St. Louis*	40	10
Morgner, O. A. *St. Louis*		21
Mount Holyoke College. *Holyoke, Mass*		1
Mount Vernon, *Ill.* Public Library		1
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Mumford, A. W. *Chicago*	11	
Municipal Art Soc. of Hartford		1
Municipal Art Soc. of New York		1
Munn & Co. *New York*	2	
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Nagel, C. *St. Louis*	23	
National Civic Federation. *N. Y.*		1
National Civil Service Reform League. *N. Y.*		1
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National Consumer's League. *N. Y*		1
National Educational Assoc		10
National Electric Light Assoc. *N. Y*	2	
National Municipal League. *Philadelphia*		15
National Temperance League. *London*	1	
National Union of Women Workers of Great Britain and Ireland. *London*		1
Natural Science Assoc. of Staten Island *New Brighton, N Y.*		6
Nebraska. Agricultural Exp. Sta.		7
—— Public Library Commn.		1
—— State Commn. to the Louisiana Purchase Exp		1
—— State Supt. of Public Instruction		9
Nelson (T.) & Sons *N. Y.*	2	
New Bedford. Public Library		12
New Britain Institute. *New Britain, Conn*		1
New Church Board of Publication. *N. Y.*	1	
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New Crawford Theater. *St Louis*		94
New England Hospital for women and children. *Boston*		6
New England Society of Pennsylvania. *Philadelphia*		1
New England Society of St. Louis		1
New Hampshire. Agricultural Exp. Sta.		14
—— State Library	1	3
New Haven. Free Public Library		6
New Jersey. Adjutant General.		1
—— Board of Health	1	
—— Bureau of Statistics of Labor and Industries	1	
—— Comptroller	2	
—— Dept. of Banking and Insurance	4	
—— Geological Survey	2	
—— Sewerage Commn	1	
—— State Board of Assessors	4	1
—— State Library	3	
—— State Prison	1	
New Mexico. College of Agriculture and Mechanic Art		3
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—— Minister of Public Instruction		1
—— Public Library		2
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—— Dept. of Education	1	1
—— Dept. of Parks		1
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—— Tenement House Dept	2	
—— University Club	1	
—— Young Men's Hebrew Assoc.		2
—— Young Women's Christian Assoc		1
New York County Visiting Committee		1
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—— Dept. of Labor	2	3
—— Hospital for the Care of Crippled and Deformed Children		1

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New York University	2	18
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—— Registrar-General's Office	2	
Newark. Board of Education	1	
—— City Officers	1	
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Newberry Library. *Chicago*		1
Newburgh, *N. Y.* Board of Education		1
Newfoundland. Colonial Secretary's Office	1	
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Noonday Club. *St. Louis*		1
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North Carolina. Dept. of Agric.		26
—— Corporation Commn	2	1
North Carolina Academy of Science		3
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—— State Examiner		1
Northwestern University. *Evanston, Ill*		1
—— Medical School		4
Norway. Bureau Central de Statistique	1	4
Noyes, Platt & Co. *Boston*	1	
Nutt, D. *London*	3	
Oakland, *Cal.* Free Library		1
Oberlin College. *Oberlin, O*		4
Octavia Hill Assoc. *Philadelphia*		1
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Ohio. Adjutant-General	1	
—— Agric. Exp. Sta		16
—— Auditor	1	
—— Bureau of Labor Statistics	1	
—— Dept. of Education	6	
—— Factory Inspector	1	
—— Fire Marshall		4
—— Inspector of Mines		2
—— State Library	22	83
Ohio Archæological and Historical Society. *Columbus*	7	
Oklahoma. Agricultural and Mechanical College		1
—— Agricultural Exp. Sta		3
Old South Meeting House. *Boston*	12	5
Olivares, J. de. *St. Louis*	10	
Olympic Theater. *St Louis*		80
Omaha. Public Library		7
Ontario. Bureau of Industries		3
—— Bureau of Mines	1	
—— Dept. of Agriculture		18
Open Court Publishing Co. *Chicago*	7	
Orange Judd Co. *Springfield, Mass.*	12	
Oregon. Agric. Exp. Sta		7
—— Game and Forestry Warden		1
—— Secretary of state		8
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Osterhout Free Library. Wilkes Barré		18
Otis Library and Peck Library. *Norwich, Conn*		11
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Peabody Institute. *Baltimore*		1
Penn Publishing Co. *Philadelphia*	1	1
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Pennsylvania Historical Society. *Philadelphia*		1
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Pennsylvania Prison Society. *Philadelphia*		1
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Periodical Publishers' Assoc. of America. *N. Y*		1
Perkins, *Mrs.* A. W. *Knoxville, Tenn*		3
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Perry, L. *St. Louis*		185
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—— Bureau of Water		1
—— City Institute		2
Philadelphia. Controller	1	
—— Free Library		1
—— Mayor	3	
—— Organizations Allied for a Comprehensive Park System		1
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Philosophical Society of Washington		1
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Photo-Era Publishing Co. *Boston*		1
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Plainfield, *N. J.* Public Library		1
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Reynold's Library. *Rochester*		2
Rhode Island. Agric. Exp. Sta		7
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—— Metropolitan Park Commn.		1
—— Railroad Commr.	1	
—— State Board of Education	1	
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Richter, *Miss* F. *St. Louis*	1	
Rochdale, *Eng.* Committee of the Public Libraries		1
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Rochester Academy of Science.		1
Rogers & Manson. *Boston*	1	
Rooney & Otten Printing Co. *N. Y*		1
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—— Health Dept		12
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—— House of Delegates	3	
—— Mercantile Library	...	2
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—— Sewer Commr		8
—— Water Commr.	3	
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Schwarz, F. *St. Louis*		1
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South Shields, *Eng.* Public Library		1
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White, *Mrs.* E. H. *St. Louis*	30	84
Whitney, E. B. *N. Y*		1
Whitney, F. B. *Washington*		2
Wiggins, *Mrs.* F	1	
Wiley (J.) & Sons. *N. Y*	73	
Williams, N.		1
Williams & Norgate. *London*	2	
Williams Telephone & Supply Co. *Cleveland*	1	
Wilmington Institute Free Library. *Wilmington*		9
Wilson, E. L. *N. Y*	2	
Wilson (H. W.) Co. *Minneapolis*	2	3
Windsor, *Ont.* Public Library		1
Winston (J. C.) Co. *Philadelphia*	2	
Wisconsin. Free Library Commission		7
— State Historical Society	1	8
Withrow, *Judge* J. E. *St. Louis*	9	
Woburn, *Mass.* Public Library	...	1
Woman's Board of Missions. *Boston*	4	
Woman's Christian Association *St. Louis*		2
Woman's Industrial Council. *London*		1
Woman's Training School. *St. Louis*		1
Wood (W.) & Co *N Y*	3	
Wood, Stubbs & Co. *Louisville, Ky*		1
Woodruff, C. R. *Philadelphia*		3
Worcester, *Mass.* Insane Hospital	...	2
— Public Library		25
Worcester Polytechnic Institute *Worcester, Mass*		1
Worcester County Law Library	1	1
Woseczek, L. *St. Louis*		1
Xavier Free Publication Society for the Blind. *N. Y*	7	3
Yale University. *New Haven Conn*		4
Young Churchman Co. *Milwaukee*	2	
Young Men's Christian Assoc. *Boston*	1	
Young Men's Christian Assoc. *N Y*	1	
Young Men's Christian Assoc. *St. Louis*		3
Young Men's Christian Assoc. Internat. Com. Pub. Dept. *N. Y*		2
Young Men's Mercantile Library Assoc. *Cincinnati*		1
Zoological Society of Philadelphia	...	1





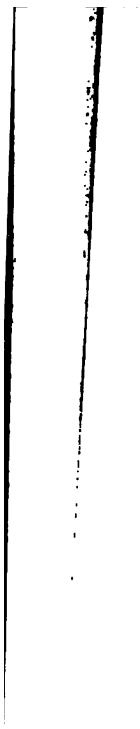
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In April, 1906, three weeks before the close of the statistical year, Mr. F. M. Crunden, Librarian of this library, was taken from his place by illness. The annual report, prepared in rough form soon after, was held from month to month in the hope that he would return and assemble it for publication. His slowly mending health forbade this, and no report appeared for 1905-6. The records of that year, however, are now combined in one volume with those of 1906-7, and given to the public in November, 1907. Two supplements are added as this report goes to press,—one on branch libraries, and a second on the limited competition, by which Mr. Cass Gilbert was chosen architect of the new central building.

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*Resigned.
†Caused by the resignation of Mr. Davis.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

ST. LOUIS, MO., SEPT. 14, 1907.

Hon. Rolla Wells,

Mayor of the City of St. Louis.

DEAR SIR:

I submit herewith the report of the St. Louis Public Library, showing the business and operations of the library for the year ending April 30, 1906, and for that ending April 30, 1907.

The serious illness of the librarian, Mr. Frederick M. Crunden, prevented the presentation of the report for the year ending April 30, 1906, in its regular time.

Since making our last report two branch libraries, the Barr and the Cabanne, have been completed and are in operation. Another, the Carondelet, is well under way. The site for a fourth, the Soulard, has been purchased. The plans for the central building presented by Mr. Cass Gilbert have been adopted, and Mr. Gilbert has been appointed architect of that building.

The branch system in its operation has resulted in a greatly increased use of the library facilities, and it is the purpose of the Board to erect altogether seven branches with the funds provided by Mr. Carnegie for that purpose.

To the fund provided by Mr. Carnegie for the central building, viz., one-half a million dollars, the Board will be able, in consequence of the sale of some of its real property, to add three-quarters of a million dollars, assuring the erection of a structure adequate for the needs of the city for many years to come.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) F. W. LEHMANN,

President.

STATEMENT.

	1905-6	1906-7
Total home issue	1,084,344	1,124,716
Readers' cards in force Apr. 30.	62,179	64,804
Income from city tax	$182,676.83	$191,409.51
Expenditures—		
Salaries	$ 39,442.84	$ 44,480.04
Book fund	29,731.48	45,143.34
Real estate	12,500.00	4,500.00
Miscellaneous	23,135.02	24,312.59
Total	$104,809.34	$118,435.97

LIBRARY STAFF.

1905-1906.

LIBRARIAN	FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN
ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN	PAUL BLACKWELDER
SULA WAGNER	Chief of Catalogue and Order Department.
MRS. LAURA SPECK	General Assistant.
MRS. M. MYERS	Superintendent Reading Room.
JULIA KRUG	Superintendent Juvenile Department.
ELSE MILLER	Superintendent Delivery Stations.
KATHARINE T. MOODY	Reference Librarian.
HELEN TUTT	First Assistant Cataloguer.
CELESTE SPECK	Second Assistant Cataloguer.
JOHN L. PARKER	In charge of shelves.
JOSEPH BRANNIGAN	Receiving Clerk.
LULA M. WESCOAT	Librarian's Secretary and Accountant.
LEE HILDEBRAND	Registration Clerk.
FLORENCE PATTON	In charge of Record Department.
FRANK A. WAITE	Assistant in Reference Department.
DAISY LA GRAVE	Assistant Cataloguer.
MAY GREENE	Senior Clerk.
GRACE BRYAN	Senior Clerk.
WILL HOWE	Senior Clerk.
WALTER H. MANN	Senior Clerk.
OLINDA HOWMILLER	Senior Clerk.
ETHEL OWEN	Assistant Cataloguer.
MARIE CARRAHER	Issue Clerk.
JOSEPHINE GRATIAA	Senior Clerk.
BERTHA DOANE	Senior Clerk.
AMELIA FEARY	Junior Clerk.
MARY POWELL	Junior Clerk.

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SARAH BRANCH.	LEONA CORDELL.	MAY LYONS.
ALICE MCBLAIR.	CARL BOCK.	PATTIBELLE KIRKLAND.
CLARA CHEW.	OTTO THIELE.	CLARISSE BRAUCOURT.
JEAN MACKINNON.	HELEN MONTGOMERY.	ALICE DAUSSIN.
AUDREY GOSS.	SARAH BAILEY.	MARY BUCKNELL.
	WILLIAM SPOTTS.	

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	LAWRENCE STEWART.	

UNCLASSIFIED ASSISTANTS IN CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

EDNA AEGERTER. ELVA LAMBRECHT.

BINDERS.

JOSIE SHEEHAN. ELLA DINGES.

JANITORS.

ROBERT KEDGE.....Head Janitor.

JOHN HOLLAND.	MARY HIGGS.	LIZZIE GREEN.
JOHN PALMER.	CHARLES BUCHANAN.	CLARA MYERS.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the St. Louis Public Library Board:

The report herewith submitted shows the activities of the library during the year ending April 30, 1906—the thirteenth year of its existence as a free institution. A full statement of receipts and expenditures is contained in the tables which follow.

The income from the city tax of two-fifths of a mill amounted to $182,676.83, an increase of $3,678.19 as compared with the previous year. The desk receipts from fines, issue of extra books, etc., reached an aggregate of $5,914.14, a decrease of $123.35.

The rent collections from the property in city blocks 510 and 511 amounted to $12,303.40, a decrease of $4,590.46 as compared with the previous year. This loss is explained by the fact that several tenants vacated the property after the close of the World's Fair period, and other desirable tenants were not found.

Contributors to the fund for the purchase of the Exposition site paid in $3,350.00 during the year.

Insurance received on account of the fire January 5, 1906 amounted to $6,396.44 of which $6,059.79 was paid in during the fiscal year. The balance was paid later, and is not covered by this report.

The amount received for card and book deposits this year was $321.00 of which $319.00 was refunded.

Interest received during the year on certificates of deposit and daily balances amounted to $1,245.60.

On September 11, 1905, the first installment of the Carnegie Building Fund, $71,745.45, being the amount estimated for the erection of the Barr Branch Library, was received.

The total expenditure for maintenance including cost of books and furniture was $91,990.34, an increase of $14,601.68 as compared with the previous year. The chief items of the increase were $11,355.79 for books, periodicals and binding, $3,067.28 for salaries, $1,612.84 for furniture and repairs, and $1,143.33 for rent.

The expenditure in the book fund was $29,731.48,—$23,611.80 for books, $4,750.33 for binding and binding supplies, and $1,369.35 for periodicals.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 9, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

To balance in City Treasury, April 10, 1905		$ 19,519.09		
Collections, April 10, 1905—April 9, 1906		182,676.83	$202,195.92	
To balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1905			75.01	
To balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1905		$38,140.15		
Desk receipts—				
Collection of Duplicates, Books and magazines issued	$1,624.75			
Magazines sold	59.35	$1,684.10		
Fines		3,473.91		
Books sold, lost and paid for		309.28		
Catalogues		43.30		
Lost cards		330.20		
Postals		29.26		
Miscellaneous		44.09	$ 5,914.14	
Card and book deposits		321.00		
Rent collections		12,303.40		
Exposition site, subscriptions paid		3,350.00		
Insurance		6,059.79		
Interest		1,245.60		
Bills receivable		980.81		
Miscellaneous		32.25	30,206.99	68,347.14
To first instalment Carnegie Building Fund and interest				72,392.04
Total receipts				$343,010.11

EXPENDITURES.

By Salaries			$ 39,442.84
Books, Central Library	$22,710.96		
Books, Barr Branch	109.58		
Books, Cabanne Branch	54.78	$22,875.32	
Books, Collection of Duplicates		736.48	
Binding		4,750.33	
Periodicals, regular collection	1,086.46		
Periodicals, Collection of Duplicates	282.89	1,369.35	29,731.48
Rent, Central Library	10,560.20		
Rent, store-room, 1127 Pine	999.96	11,560.16	
Insurance, Central Library	247.50		
Insurance, store-room, 1127 Pine	140.00		
Insurance, Barr Branch	60.00	447.50	
Furniture and repairs		2,888.81	14,896.47

Printing and stationery		2,206.36	
Delivery expense		3,979.64	
Sundries, as follows:			
Janitors' supplies	243.44		
Telephone service	204.80		
Conference expenses	177.50		
Audit of accounts	150.00		
Expense in connection with removal of Catalogue Room to new quarters	144.00		
Car fare	89.60		
Legal services	82.00		
Expense on account of fire, January 6, 1906	53.25		
Distribution of annual reports	51.00		
Bonds of Librarian and Assistant Librarian	48.00		
Miscellaneous items	186.57	1,430.16	
Postage		303.39	
Card deposits refund		319.00	8,238.55
Real Estate, city blocks 510 and 511,			
Repairs and agents' commissions		3,103.48	
Insurance		157.20	
Sprinkling taxes		47.80	3,308.48
Central Library Site,			
Material and expense, lowering smokestack, Exposition Building		200.00	
Sprinkling taxes		53.20	253.20
Barr Branch,			
General contract		27,730.00	
Architect's fees		2,000.00	
Heating contract		700.00	
Survey of lot, etc		25.00	
Sprinkling taxes		5.83	
Expense		1.75	30,462.58
Cabanne Branch,			
Purchase of site		12,500.00	
Survey of lot, etc		18.50	12,518.50
Total Expenditures			$138,852.10
Balance in City Treasury, April 9, 1906			104,270.16
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1906			57,702.12
Balance in Carnegie Building Fund, April 1, 1906			41,962.04
Balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1906			223.69
			$343,010.11

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

	Exposition Site	City Collections	Desk Receipts	Rent	Insurance	Misc.	Interest	Carnegie Bldg. Fd.	Total.
1894		$ 49,773.52	$ 113.66						$ 49,887.18
1895		59,035.80	2,593.26			$ 3.41			61,632.47
1896		61,929.51	3,649.98	$ 482.79		87.96			66,150.24
1897		64,663.32	3,741.31	1,879.56		187.72			70,471.91
1898		67,638.45	3,839.86	1,480.00		424.81			73,383.12
1899		71,340.13	3,901.72	12,328.55	$39,742.72*	476.24			127,789.36
1900		73,781.47	4,392.48	12,945.50		51.98			91,171.43
1901		75,727.18	5,095.81	13,501.46		398.23			94,722.68
1902		149,321.24	5,852.79	11,649.13		204.75			167,027.91
1903	$ 76,443.69	166,554.50	6,302.87	12,286.71		626.79			262,214.56
1904	86,315.30	173,064.63	6,324.46	15,417.83		244.97			281,367.19
1905	92,095.21	178,998.64	6,037.49	16,893.86	2,501.98†	997.03			297,524.21
1906	3,350.00	182,676.83	5,914.14	12,303.40	6,059.79	1,334.06	$1,245.60	$72,392.04	285,275.86
Total	$258,204.20	$1,374,505.22	$57,759.83	$111,168.79	$48,304.49	$5,037.95	$1,245.60	$72,392.04	$1,928,618.12

EXPENDITURES.

	Exposition Site	Maintenance Central Library	Real Estate City Blocks 510 and 511	Misc.	Barr Branch	Cabanne Branch	Total
1894		$ 2,876.19					$ 2,876.19
1895		43,305.69					43,305.69
1896		52,318.45	$40,900.00				93,218.45
1897		48,738.69	24,872.58				73,611.27
1898		58,051.90	29,972.00				88,023.90
1899		55,811.21	88,347.95				144,159.16
1900		45,789.48	36,973.36				82,762.84
1901		53,687.33	35,366.34				89,053.67
1902		67,623.32	36,801.44				104,424.76
1903	$217,405.33	69,261.92	28,795.91				315,463.16
1904	26,273.08	68,224.70	186,410.76				280,908.54
1905	4,612.99	77,388.66	182,222.40	$452.39‡			264,676.44
1906	253.20	91,990.34	3,308.48	319.00	$30,462.58	$12,518.50	138,852.10
Total	$248,544.60	$735,067.88	$693,971.22	$771.39	$30,462.58	$12,518.50	$1,721,336.17

Balance in City Treasury, April 9, 1906	104,270.16
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1906	57,702.12
Balance in Carnegie Building Fund, April 1, 1906	41,962.04
Balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1906	223.69
Amount short in Bank Fund / Amount short in Contingent Fund } Through misappropriation of funds	3,123.94
	$1,928,618.12

*For houses on city block 510, burned immediately after the purchase of the property.
†On Model Library. ‡On Model Library and Barr Branch site.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

The following statistics present briefly the work of the year:

The collection was increased by the addition of 26,714 volumes, duly catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for use. Of these, 1,237 were gifts. The total included 733 volumes in German, 157 in French, and 126 in various other languages.

The donations for the year numbered 1,857 volumes and 8,189 pamphlets, from 1,160 different sources. A complete list of donors is presented in an appendix.

The registered readers numbered, at the close of the year, 62,179. Particulars will be found under the department.

The total number of books and periodicals issued during the year was 1,410,381, a gain of 76,275 over the previous year. The number of books drawn for home and school reading was 1,084,344. Books used in the library numbered 100,457, and periodicals 225,580. Full details appear later in tabular form.

ORDER AND CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

The additions for the year numbered 26,714 volumes, an increase of 7,259 volumes over last year. This is the greatest number of books ever purchased and catalogued in any one year in the history of the library. The largest year preceding this was 1901-2 when 23,855 volumes were added, 2,859 less than this year. The present total 733 volumes in the German language, an increase of 277 over last year, 157 in French, an increase of 45 and 126 in other foreign languages. The number added by gift was 1,237.

In January, a fire in the stacks destroyed 3,733 volumes in classes 46-68fi inclusive. Almost the entire circulating collection of ethnology, archaeology, fine arts, poetry and commentaries on Shakespeare was burned. This included the valuable collections known as the The Shumard Library, The Rossmaessler Library and many volumes from The Henry Ames Library. These books came to the library by gift in 1869-70, when it was but five years old. It was a notable year; though the collection numbered but 20,000 volumes the accessions of those twelve months were 7,977.

Many of the burned books were replaced during the year, as were also the books from the Model Library which were destroyed by the fire in the Missouri Building at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition on November 19, 1904.

The cards representing the Library of Congress have been filed as received; and at the end of the year they filled four large cabinets. This catalogue is proving practically useful in the work of the Cataloguing Department.

The Bulletin has appeared regularly throughout the year, one number being double. The editing is done by the first assistant cataloguer, while the preparation of the material falls in varying degrees on most of the members of the staff. Each cataloguer writes an additional slip for the bulletin. These, with the notes prepared for the Book Committee, form the material from which the "List of Additions" is made. Twelve special lists have been published in the Bulletin during the year, the more important ones being those on Germany, The Railway Problem, Agriculture and Botany, and Ireland and the Irish Revival.

Forty thousand and fifty-six cards were written and inserted in the various catalogues. Of this number 8,129 were printed cards obtained from the Library of Congress, the Libray Bureau, English history cards annotated by W. D. Johnston and entries mounted from the Publishers'

Weekly. Soiled cards in the author catalogue were copied from I to J inclusive.

In addition to the cards noted above, 17,822 shelf-list cards have been written and inserted, including cards for classes 69c (I-Z)-69sp, 77h-88, which were copied on to the small standard-size cards.

Beginning with May of this year the custom of giving an accession number to books bought for use as supplementary reading in the schools and designated as "school sets" was discontinued. They are now accessioned on cards in lots as received. Thus 120 copies of a book may be entered at one time, the shelf list card serving as both accession record and shelf list. Author, title, publisher, price, discount and number of copies are noted. A part of the card is devoted to the record of withdrawals and lost and paid for entries.

In September 1905, the Department was moved from its old position next the Reference Department to a much larger room, which was formerly known as the Public Document Room, next the Reading Room. The Catalogue Room was added to the Reference Department and the public documents moved to a room on the second floor which was rented for the purpose. This increase of space was much needed.

The total additions for the year, divided by class, source and language, are given in the following table:

*TOTAL ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1906.

Classes.	Regular Library	Collection of Duplicates.	Total.
Philosophy	243		243
Theology	410		410
Social Science	1,418	1	1,419
Natural Science	1,936		1,936
Art and Poetry	1,642	9	1,651
Fiction	4,710	712	5,422
Juvenile Literature	7,186		7,186
Literary Miscellany	757	9	766
Travels and History	2,389		2,389
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	637		637
	21,328	731	22,059
Source.			
Purchase	19,377	731	20,108
Gift	1,237		1,237
Pamphlets, bound	57		57
Periodicals, bound	657		657
	21,328	731	22,059
Language.			
English	20,312	731	21,043
French	157		157
German	733		733
Other	126		126
	21,328	731	22,059
School sets			4,655
Total			26,714

Periodicals to complete sets, 383.

*This includes the Barr Branch.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC., 1905-06.

Withdrawn		9,649
Lost and paid for		254
Burned on account of contagious disease		13
Sold		2
Charged to borrowers and not returned:		
For reading room use	6	
For home use	84	90
Books lost at schools, 1905-06		48
Fire, January, 1906		3,733
Total		13,789
Total additions	26,714	
Less above	13,789	
Net increase	12,925	

Of the 9,649 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 6,236 were replaced by new copies, as were also 215 volumes out of 254 lost and paid for; and two that had been mutilated, were paid for.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

Taking the inventory of 1903 as a basis and adding the net increase of the years 1903-04, 1904-05 and 1905-06, we obtain the contents at the end of this year:

Total contents of Library, April 30, 1903	165,658
Net increase May 1, 1903—April 30, 1904	9,920
Net increase May 1, 1904—April 30, 1905	14,817
Net increase May 1, 1905—April 30, 1906	12,925
Total contents, April 30, 1906	203,320

SOME NOTEWORTHY ADDITIONS: ARRANGED IN ORDER OF CLASS.

POLLOCK, *Sir* F., *and* MAITLAND, F. W. History of English law before Edward I. 1905. 2 v. O.	19a
U. S. *Continental Congress.* Extracts from votes and proceedings. 1774. D.	Ref. 26
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BINDING.

During the year, 1647 volumes of periodicals and books bought in paper covers were bound at an average cost of 66 cents per volume.

10,158 volumes were rebound and repaired at the bindery at a total cost of $4,139.10.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

REGISTRATION.

The registration for the year numbered 22,180 names. Of these 15,515 were registered for the first time and 6,665 were renewals, in accordance with the rule which requires a re-registration at the end of every three years. In addition to the regular reader's card 1,569 "extra" (non-fiction) cards were issued and 256 "teachers'" cards; 15,084 cards that had been filled were replaced by new ones; and 1,667 were lost and new ones paid for. Guarantors to the number of 89 were withdrawn or cancelled; and 3,893 addresses were changed. All this involved an amount of clerical work that cannot be indicated by a mere statement of the figures. The name of every guarantor must be looked up in the directory and every

card-holder assigned to his ward; and the records must be kept with the greatest accuracy, in order to avoid annoyance and loss of time to the library and to the public. Detailed statistics of the registration follow:

Total cards in force, April 30, 1905	59,327	
Registered May 1, 1905-April 30, 1906	15,515	74,842
Cards expiring to April 30, 1905	19,328	
Less names re-registered	6,665	12,663
		62,179
Total cards in force, April 30, 1906:		
Men	16,020	
Women	17,538	
Children	28,555	
Institutions	66	62,179

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1906.

Ward		Ward		Ward	
1	663	11	579	21	652
2	563	12	835	22	886
3	675	13	711	23	430
4	372	14	256	24	1,668
5	247	15	489	25	1,340
6	454	16	352	26	1,124
7	297	17	486	27	1,572
8	432	18	557	28	1,726
9	790	19	1,514	Suburban	405
10	1,351	20	754		22,180

TOTAL REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

Ward		Ward		Ward	
1	1,735	11	1,635	21	2,117
2	1,605	12	2,666	22	2,813
3	1,888	13	2,316	23	1,523
4	1,267	14	900	24	3,998
5	796	15	1,416	25	3,509
6	1,416	16	1,145	26	3,283
7	1,045	17	1,541	27	3,726
8	1,295	18	1,700	28	5,025
9	2,143	19	3,288	Suburban	811
10	3,372	20	2,205		62,179

RECORDS AND NOTICES.

In the daily routine of this department come the rewriting of book cards (the first card is written in the cataloguing room) and the sending of notices for books overdue. During the year 36,176 book cards were rewritten and 19,921 notices were sent for overdue books,—15,005 first notices, 3,834 second and 1,082 third. Among the chief items of other routine correspondence were 1,653 notices regarding books in infected houses, direct-

ing holders to hand them over to the health officers; 1,475 notices of books reserved, and 2,278 miscellaneous notices, besides many letters of greater or less length supplying information or straightening out difficulties or answering minor complaints. All serious complaints (an exceedingly small number) and requests for bibliographical or general information go directly to the librarian for reply.

From this department, naturally, the messenger is sent to recover books for which three notices (two of them sealed) have previously been sent. Last year the messenger called for 445 volumes; all of these were recovered except 33. These were drawn by persons who had left the neighborhood (and in many cases the city) and could not be traced. Ninety-two books remained charged at the end of the year. Six of these were charged for Reading Room use and not returned; 25 were lost at the Delivery Stations and 33 unaccounted for.

ISSUE STATISTICS.

Home Issue—		
Main Desk		190,439
Open Shelves, miscellaneous	147,722	
*Collection of Duplicates	31,811	179,533
Juvenile Department—		
Desk issue	92,416	
Supplementary Reading	244,537	
Depositories	78,908	415,861
Delivery Stations		298,511
Total Home Issue		1,084,344
Total Library Issue		100,457
Total Issue of Books		1,184,801
Total Issue of Periodicals		225,580
Total Issue in all Departments		1,410,381

ISSUE BY MONTHS.

	HOME ISSUE.				USED IN THE LIBRARY.		
	Central Library.	Delivery Stations.	Schools and Depositories.	Total.	Books.	Periodicals.	Total.
May	37,068	29,788	35,346	102,202	8,317	19,578	130,097
June	32,374	18,803	2,034	53,211	6,156	14,638	74,005
July	34,667	16,732		51,399	5,988	14,091	71,478
August	35,201	16,566		51,767	6,397	13,467	71,631
September	34,486	16,432	8,785	59,703	7,303	14,321	81,327
October	36,504	23,088	31,876	91,468	8,316	16,821	116,605
November	37,888	27,572	39,103	104,563	8,978	20,362	133,903
December	38,740	25,184	32,908	96,832	7,946	22,499	127,277
January	44,562	27,865	40,298	112,725	10,503	24,452	147,680
February	43,025	26,837	38,784	108,646	10,087	21,943	140,676
March	50,001	37,532	50,877	138,410	12,231	24,737	175,378
April	37,872	32,112	43,434	113,418	8,235	18,671	140,324
Total	462,388	298,511	323,445	1,084,344	100,457	225,580	1,410,381
1904-1905	455,898	248,230	258,410	962,538	111,247	260,321	1,334,106
Loss					10,790	34,741	
Gain	6,490	50,281	65,035	121,806			76,275

*This figure does not include duplicates issued in the Juvenile and the Delivery Stations departments.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION.

	Home Issue.	Per Cent.	Library Issue.	Per Cent.	Total Issue of Books.
Philosophy	3,758	.34	1,057	1.05	4,815
Religion	4,534	.42	2,869	2.85	7,403
Social Science	10,350	.96	13,328	13.27	23,678
Natural Science	20,711	1.92	11,958	11.90	32,669
Art	4,758	.44	7,446	7.41	12,204
Poetry	12,250	1.13	2,624	2.61	14,874
Fiction	416,409	38.40	8,811	8.77	425,220
Collection of Duplicates	32,684	3.01			32,684
Juvenile Literature	529,421	48.82	797	.79	530,218
Literary Miscellany	13,379	1.24	6,942	6.92	20,321
Travels	9,142	.84	2,929	2.92	12,071
History	11,807	1.09	5,972	5.95	17,779
Biography	8,319	.76	4,895	4.87	13,214
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	6,822	.63	30,829	30.69	37,651
Total	1,084,344	100.00	100,457	100.00	1,184,801

SUMMARIES.

	1904-05.	1905-06.
Home issue, regular library	930,517	1,052,533
Home issue, Collection of Duplicates	32,021	31,811
	962,538	1,084,344
Library issue	111,247	100,457
Total issue of books	1,073,785	1,184,801
Reading-room issue (periodicals)	260,321	225,580
Total issue in all departments	1,334,106	1,410,381
Gain in 1905-1906 over 1904-1905		76,275

LARGEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, SATURDAY, MARCH 24.

Main desk	1,135
Open shelves	1,028
Juvenile	3,587
Delivery Station	2,434
Total home issue	8,184
Library issue	582
Reading-room issue	900
Total issue in all departments	9,666

SMALLEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, THURSDAY, JULY 20.

Main desk	304
Open shelves	383
Juvenile	197
Delivery Station	537
Total home issue	1,421
Library issue	170
Reading-room issue	527
Total issue in all departments	2,118

LARGEST SUNDAY ISSUE, NOVEMBER 19.

Library issue	209
Reading room issue	432
Total	641

SMALLEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JUNE 18.

Library issue	38
Reading-room issue	172
Total	210

TOTAL SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	5,346
Reading-room issue	15,934
Total	21,280

AVERAGE SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	103
Reading-room issue	305
Total	408

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,464
Library issue	274
Reading-room issue	618
Total	4,356

AVERAGE WEEK-DAY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,464
Library issue	304
Reading-room issue	669
Total	4,437

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1905-1906.

	Home.	†Library.	Periodicals	Total.
Decoration Day	3,530	214	699	4,443
Fourth of July	220	59	302	581
Labor Day	1,218	299	517	2,034
Thanksgiving Day	1,632	150	734	2,516
Christmas Day	41	110	464	615
New Year's Day	1,570	222	959	2,751
Washington's Birthday	3,708	423	823	4,954
Total	11,919	1,477	4,498	17,894
Average	1,703	211	643	2,556

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS.

'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00
11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984

'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06
35,816	41,263	42,933	37,306	32,021	32,684

TOTAL ISSUE BY YEARS.

	'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00
Home	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,339	707,823
†Reference and Library	40,628	46,082	51,240	69,070	65,732	69,966
Reading Room	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,783	201,886
Total	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675

	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06
Home	740,179	778,507	902,768	939,623	962,538	1,084,344
†Reference and Library	70,606	95,106	101,971	111,662	111,247	100,457
Reading Room	187,812	208,757	232,892	243,213	260,321	225,580
Total	998,597	1,082,370	1,237,631	1,294,498	1,334,106	1,410,381

The home issue for the first time in the history of the library is more than 1,000,000 books.

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.

1905-6.

The recorded issue of the Reference Department for the year was 77,901. Though this did not reach the standard of the previous year, the issues of March 3rd and 10th were the largest ever recorded upon single days, being respectively, 625 and 647. The tables were often so crowded during the winter that it was impossible to record fully the use of books.

To ease the crowded shelves the McAnally Collection, the large periodicals, and the greater part of the state and government documents have been shelved in a room upon the second floor, rented for this purpose. One stack was removed from the main reference room to allow space for additional chairs and tables. The steady growth of the reference and pamphlet collections will again crowd the shelves within a year or two, and require further shelving facilities.

Beside the usual large additions to the indexed magazines, and to the collection of public documents, city, state and United States government,

†Library issue means books read in the library.

the reference library has been enriched by the purchase of valuable works of general interest in many lines, particularly decoration and design, pottery, architecture, natural history and genealogy.

Few large donations, such as were acquired during the World's Fair year, have been made, but three important ones may be noted: Two valuable volumes on jade, given by the Executors of the Heber R. Bishop Estate; a collection from the German Consul; and the statute of Franklin from Mrs. Harold H. Tittman and Mrs. N. M. Day are particularly noteworthy. The books on jade are among the most elaborate and expensive ever published. The two volumes were privately printed at a cost of about $500 each. The complete list of donors, one of the largest in the history of the library, will be found in the appendix to this report. The total number of donations was 1857 volumes and 8189 pamphlets from 1160 sources. There were returned to the U. S. Government, 50 volumes and 20 pamphlets. The annual report of the library, the monthly bulletin, and copies of 'Our Burden and Our Strength," by David A. Wells, were sent to the larger libraries of the country as exchanges.

A check list of documents, issued periodically, is being prepared. Thus far over one thousand cards have been made for it, and the departments or institutions represented have been sent a list of our wants. During the past year the documents solicited have been largely reports of state departments, railroads and manufacturers. During the coming year depart ments of the important cities, educational institutions, and miscellaneous associations will be listed and the desired documents, if possible, secured.

DELIVERY STATIONS DEPARTMENT.

1905-1906.

This department has enjoyed during the past year its customary steady growth. Its entire issue of books, including those which were sent as depository libraries, numbered 298,511—a gain of 50,281 over the year before. Of this total 66,000 were loaned by library assistants at certain selected schools, and at one church, or were sent out for limited periods in small depository collections. The subjoined table displays the issue of books at these places.

The changes in delivery stations during the year are noted below:

Stations discontinued:

Station 28, Grand and Gravois Avenues.
Station 50, Kossuth and Prairie Avenues.
Station 55, Eleventh and Penrose Streets.
Station 59, Leonard and Washington Avenues.

Stations moved or transferred:

Station 2, moved from Grand and St. Louis to Spring and Cottage, and delivery days changed from daily to Tuesday and Friday.
Station 7, moved from Fifteenth and Chambers to 1525 Cass Avenue.
Station 47, moved from Academy and Suburban to Suburban and Kingshighway.

New stations:

Station 28, Nineteenth and Hebert Streets.
Station 50, Goode and St. Ferdinand Avenues.
Station 54, Grand and Finney Avenues.
Station 55, Page and Kingshighway.
Station 59, 3134 Lucas Avenue.

DEPOSITORIES SUPPLIED THROUGH DELIVERY STATIONS DEPARTMENT 1905-06.

	Y. W. C. A.	Y. M. C. A. Central.	Y. M. C. A. South.	Jewish Alliance.	McKinley High School	Central High School	Yeatman High School	Blair School	Garfield School	Columbia School	Ames School	Ashland School	Longfellow School	Irving School	Adams School	Sunlight Factory.	Second Baptist S. S.	Total.
May				72	4,076	1,851	11	434		728	508	599					431	8,710
June				55				128		112	195	522					287	1,299
July				62								111					296	469
Aug.												102					343	445
Sept.											53	185					300	538
Oct.				98	1,428	2,479		339		173	400	296					375	5,588
Nov.			19	145	1,739	2,338		890		1,043	871	502					300	7,847
Dec.		7	13		1,706	1,783		761	65	391	697	884					225	6,532
Jan.			63		1,840	1,138		845	317	536	746	829		108			300	6,722
Feb.			12	97	1,277	966	4	706	523	423	713	982		481			300	6,484
Mar.	10	39	17		2,964	1,190	37	814	942	743	842	1,334	175	1,716	169	134	300	11,426
Apr.	20	65	116		1,483	1,401	40	724	982	681	611	1,051	454	1,597	340		375	9,940
Total...	30	111	240	529	16,513	13,146	92	5,641	2,829	4,830	5,636	7,397	629	3,902	509	134	3,832	66,000

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

1905-1906.

The consistent growth of the children's department is one of the happiest features of the Library. Of the 62,000 registered readers, nearly one-half (28,500) are children, and the most rapidly growing activity in the Library at the present time is the loaning of books to the schools —a part of the juvenile work.

During the past year the number of children's books drawn at the central library was 92,412, against 81,784 for 1904-5, a gain of 10,628. School depository libraries in 110 different rooms issued 78,908 volumes, against 60,503 from 93 rooms the previous year, an increase of 18,405. The distribution of supplementary reading sets shows a still more surprising gain. 244,537 volumes were loaned to the schools in sets of from ten to thirty copies to a title. This is an increase of 46,630 over the supplementary issue of the previous year, which was itself 53,000 above that for 1903-4. Miss Krug says in her report: "This large gain is due to the fact that all the schools are drawing a larger percentage than last year, and that most of them call for sets not intermittently as before, but steadily." No work which the library has ever done is more useful than this. During the period covered by this report eighty-four out of the ninety-seven city schools used the supplementary reading sets, and in addition nine evening schools, two Catholic schools and one business college took advantage of them as well.

A detailed report is given below. The first table shows the depository library record arranged by schools, and the second collects by months the entire issue through the schools, from both the depository libraries and the sets of supplementary reading.

New supplementary sets were added as follows, 49 in all:

Grade 1-2.

Deming	Little brothers of the West	1 set.
Deming	Little Indian folk	1 set.
Grover	Folklore readers. Book 1	3 sets.

Grade 2-3.

Segur	Story of a donkey	5 sets.
Shute	Land of song. Book 1	2 sets.

Grade 3-4.

Collodi	Pinocchio's adventures	8 sets.
Page	Captured Santa Claus	2 sets.
Pyle	Stories of humble friends	5 sets.

Grade 5-6.

Dickens	Little Nell	5 sets.
Frost	Wagner story book	2 sets.
Malory	King Arthur and his knights (Cutler)	4 sets.

Grade 7-8.

Baldwin	Abraham Lincoln	2 sets.
Coffin	Building the nation	2 sets.
Dickens	Child pictures	1 set.
Hale	Poems of knightly adventure	1 set.
Howard	Four great pathfinders	2 sets.
Shakespeare	As you like it	2 sets.
Shakespeare	Macbeth	1 set.

Sixty sets were worn out and replaced.

	Sets.	Copies.
Sets on hand April 30, 1905	576	17,165
Worn out and not replaced, or placed in circulation.	34	990
	542	16,175
New sets added	51	1,525
Duplicate sets added	42	1,260
Sets on hand April 30, 1906	635	18,960

Out of the 244,537 issues from supplementary sets, ninety-six books were lost and fifty-two paid for. From the depository collection (78,908 issues) twenty-five books were lost, of which fourteen were paid for, and three condemned on account of contagious disease.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES. 1905-1906.

SCHOOLS.	ROOMS.	BOOKS.	WEEKS.	TOTAL ISSUE.	AVERAGE PER WEEK.
Benton	1	25	3	51	17
Bryan Hill	1	45	31	782	25
Carondelet	1	30	6	292	48
Carr Lane	4	170	15	2,442	162
Carroll	3	115	14	1,416	101
Charless	11	292	28	4,704	168
Clay	1	30	25	874	35
Clinton	1	50	9	504	56
Columbia	10	530	30	13,561	452
Eliot	15	479	29	14,185	489
Emerson	6	230	22	7,114	323
Fremont	6	263	23	5,486	238
Froebel	8	350	31	9,111	293
Gardenville	1	30	31	596	19
Gratiot	3	100	23	1,758	76
Harrison	8	273	11	2,280	207
Hodgen	1	131	3	54	18
Humboldt	1	30	7	284	40
Industrial	1	24	11	138	12
Irving	1	50	12	383	32
Longfellow	2	89	17	1,121	66
Laclede	1	42	31	1,933	62
Lyon	1	110	3	209	69
Monroe	2	75	16	658	41
Mt. Pleasant	3	23	3	89	29
Oak Hill	4	125	24	1,532	63
Riddick	1	15	3	32	10
Shepard	5	192	28	3,649	130
Sherman	1	25	3	24	8
Walnut Park	1	110	3	200	66
Washington	1	50	31	1,379	44
Webster	3	120	15	2,067	137
Total	109	4,223		78,908	

SCHOOL ISSUE REPORT, 1905-1906.

Months.	Supplementary.	Depository.	Total.
May	28,628	6,718	35,346
June	1,987	47	2,034
September	7,079	1,706	8,785
October	24,225	7,651	31,876
November	29,448	9,655	39,103
December	23,037	9,871	32,908
January	30,534	9,764	40,298
February	28,444	10,340	38,784
March	37,604	13,273	50,877
April	33,551	9,883	43,434
Total	244,537	78,908	323,445

REPORT OF 1906-1907.

LIBRARY STAFF.

1906-1907.

LIBRARIAN.....FREDERICK M. CRUNDEN
ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN.....PAUL BLACKWELDER

CENTRAL LIBRARY.

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LULU M. WESCOAT.....Librarian's Secretary and Accountant.
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APPRENTICES.

Otto Thiele.
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Helen Montgomery.
Louise Noble.
Sarah Bailey.
May Lyons.
Clarisse Braucourt.
Alice Daussin.
Bertha Uhlemeyer.
Amy Overland.
Nesta M. Thompson.
Edna Kuntz.
Gertrude Kirksey.
Marian Cummings.
Cornelia Gronemeyer.
Haroldine Beard.
Jeanne Trowbridge.

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Albert Auchter
Charles Long
George Pfaff
Richard Danford
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Albert Schaefer
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Robert Kedge.....Head Janitor.
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Mary Higgs
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BARR BRANCH.

May Greene.....Branch Librarian.
Ferdinand Henke.....Assistant.
Frances Bowman.....Children's Librarian.
Verne Bowles.....Apprentice.
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Chanie Palmer Assistant Janitor.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN.

To the St. Louis Public Library Board:

The report herewith submitted shows the activities of the library during the year ending April 30, 1907—the fourteenth year of its existence as a free institution. A full statement of receipts and expenditures is contained in the tables which follow.

The income from the city tax of two-fifths of a mill amounted to $191,409.51, an increase of $8,732.68 as compared with the previous year. The desk receipts from fines, issue of duplicate books, etc., reached a total of $6,696.42, an increase of $782.28 as compared with the previous year. Of this total, $449.73 was collected at the Barr Branch, and represents the Branch receipts for about seven and a half months.

The rent collections this year amounted to $4,201.18—much smaller than usual, on account of the sale of city block 510. This lot was purchased in 1898 for a building site for the Central Library; but after Missouri Park on Thirteenth and Olive Streets had been obtained for this purpose, it became necessary to dispose of city block 510 in order to secure funds for the erection of the proposed building. Accordingly, the sale was effected June 20, 1906, with the Joliet Realty Company, for $650,000 net cash. $20,000 of this amount was paid on the date mentioned as earnest money. and the balance, $630,000, was paid August 20, 1906.

The tenants of property in the block were given satisfactory refunds on their leases, the total amount being $1,733.00 and the houses were vacated promptly. Taxes on city blocks 510 and 511, were paid to the amount of $6,568.23, the repairs and agents' commissions cost $268.77, water license, $31.00, and insurance, $75.80.

Interest on certificates of deposit and daily balances amounted to $1,654.41, an increase of $408.81 over the previous year.

Insurance to the amount of $425.38, being the balance due on account of the fire on January 5, 1906, was paid in, early in the year.

Card and book deposits received during the year amounted to $318.75, and $329.00 was refunded to persons desiring to give up their cards. The latter amount represents various deposits made in preceding years as well as those of the year covered by this report.

On April 6th, 1906, the second installment of the Carnegie Building Fund, $80,000.00, was received. This amount was the estimated cost of the Cabanne Branch Building. On December 12th, 1906, the third instalment, $75,000.00 for the erection of the Carondelet Branch was received. Interest on the Carnegie Fund this year amounted to $2,018.00.

The total expenditure for the maintenance, including cost of books and furniture, was $118,636.52, an increase of $26,646.18 over last year. The chief items of the increase were $15,411.86 for books, periodicals and binding, $9,037.20 for salaries, $1,241.68 for printing and stationery, $243.55 for delivery expense and $592.11 for general expense.

Fees to the amount of $650.00 were paid during the year to the Consulting Architect in connection with planning for the central building, this work being preliminary to the selection of the architect who is to build the library.

The amount paid on general contract work at the Barr Branch during the year was $20,475.54; for heating and ventilating apparatus, $5,987.00; for furniture, $4,425.00; for decoration, $2,500.00; for plumbing, $1,850.00; for electric wiring, $1,588.20; for architects' fees, $1,254.14; for brick wall on southwest corner, $385.00; for electric light and power, $519 38 and for coal supply, $181.17—these being the largest items. All expenditures, however, are listed in the sub-joined table.

On general contract work done at the Cabanne Branch, $35,700.00 was paid; on heating contract, $1,870.00; for architects' fees, $1,580.00.

On April 18th, 1906, a lot in Carondelet, on the southeast corner of Krauss and Michigan Avenues, city block 3001, was purchased for $4,500.00 as a site for the third branch of the library, to be known as the Carondelet Branch. The planning of the building was begun early in the year and architects' fees to the amount of $1,677.00 were paid on this branch.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 8, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

To balance in City Treasury, April 9, 1906			$104,270.16	
Collections, April 9, 1906-April 8, 1907			191,409.51	$295,679.67
To balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1906				223.69
To balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1906			57,702.12	
Desk receipts.				
Central Library.				
Collection of Duplicates, Books and magazines issued $1,879.65				
Magazines sold 52.55	$1,932.20			
Fines	3,517.62			
Books sold, lost and paid for	354.45			
Catalogues	19.45			
Lost cards	315.70			
Postals	24.70			
Miscellaneous	78.42			
Lists	4.15	$6,246.69		
Barr Branch.				
Collection of Duplicates, Books and magazines issued	147.70			
Fines	241.38			
Books sold, lost and paid for	9.65			
Catalogues	4.65			
Lost cards	42.80			
Postals	2.20			
Miscellaneous	1.35	449.73	6,696.42	
Card and book deposits			318.75	
Rent collections			4,201.18	
Insurance paid on a/c fire, January 5			425.38	
Interest			1,654.41	
Cash for real estate sold			650,000.00	720,998.26
To balance in Carnegie Building Fund, April 1, 1906			41,962.04	
Second instalment, April 6, 1906		$80,000.00		
Third instalment, December 12, 1906		75,000.00	155,000.00	
Interest			2,018.00	198,980.04
Total receipts				$1,215,881.66

EXPENDITURES.

By Salaries, Central Library.		$46,670.45		
Barr Branch....		1,809.59		$48,480.04
Books, Central Library, Regular Collection	21,528.03			
Books, Central Library, Collection of Duplicates...	981.36	22,509.39		
Books, Barr Branch, Regular Collection	3,148.16			
Books, Barr Branch, Collection of Duplicates.....	139.75	3,287.91		
Books, Cabanne Branch, Regular Collection		9,256.85		
Books, Carondelet Branch, Regular Collection		835.94	$35,890.09	
Binding, Central Library...	7,331.03			
Binding, Barr Branch.....	318.25			
Binding, Cabanne Branch..	2.00		7,651.28	
Periodicals, Central Library, Regular Collection	1,114.67			
Periodicals, Central Library, Collection of Duplicates	276.78	1,391.45		
Periodicals, Barr Branch, Regular Collection	173.39			
Periodicals, Barr Branch, Collection of Duplicates	37.13	210.52	1,601.97	45,143.34
Rent, Central Library.....	11,043.50			
Rent, store-room, 1127 Pine	874.98	11,918.48		
Insurance, Central Library.	642.00			
Insurance, store-room, 1127 Pine	167.40			
Insurance, Barr Branch....	188.00			
Insurance, Cabanne Branch	100.00	1,097.40		
Furniture and repairs, Central Library		1,155.77		14,171.65

EXPENDITURES—Continued.

Printing and stationery, Central Library	3,334.68		
Printing and stationery, Barr Branch	109.61		
Printing and stationery, Cabanne Branch	3.75		3,448.04
Delivery expense			4,223.19
Sundries, as follows:			
Legal services		520.50	
Telephone service, Central Library	232.80		
Telephone service, Barr Branch	78.54	311.34	
Janitors' supplies, Central Library	347.99		
Janitors' supplies, Barr Branch	143.99	491.98	
Miscellaneous, Central Library	97.45		
Miscellaneous, Barr Branch	68.80	166.25	
Conference expenses.....		159.55	
Audit of accounts.....		150.00	
Car fare		85.90	
Transportation of books, etc., to Barr Branch....		79.25	
Bonds of Librarian and Assistant Librarian....		40.00	
Rent of safety deposit boxes		17.50	2,022.27
Postage			447.44
Card deposits refunded.....			329.00
Real estate, city blocks 510 and 511.			
Taxes	6,568.23		
Refunds to tenants on a/c sale of block 510.....	1,733.00		
Repairs and agent's commissions	268.77		
Insurance	75.80		
Water license	31.00		8,676.80

EXPENDITURES—Continued.

Central Library Site,		
Payment to Consulting Architect	650.00	
Sprinkling taxes	66.73	
Expense	7.50	724.23
Barr Branch,		
General contract	20,475.54	
Heating and ventilating contract	5,987.00	
Furniture	4,425.00	
Decoration	2,500.00	
Plumbing contract	1,850.00	
Electric wiring	1,588.20	
Architects' fees	1,254.14	
Electric light and power.	519.38	
Brick wall	385.00	
Coal supply	181.17	
Sodding	176.40	
Water license	139.50	
Sprinkling taxes	6.84	39,488.17
Cabanne Branch,		
General contract	35,700.00	
Heating contract	1,870.00	
Architect's fees	1,580.00	
Survey, etc., of lot	60.00	
Sprinkling taxes	8.18	39,218.18
Carondelet Branch,		
Purchase price of site	4,500.00	
Architect's fees	1,677.00	
Survey, certificate of title, etc.	65.75	
Sprinkling taxes	8.46	6,251.21
Total expenditures		**$212,623.56**
Balance in City Treasury, April 8, 1907		**164,289.87**
Balance in Bank Fund, April 1, 1907		**718,697.03**
Balance in Carnegie Building Fund, April 1, 1907		**119,941.02**
Balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1907		**330.18**
		$1,215,881.66

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, MARCH, 1894, TO APRIL, 1907.

RECEIPTS.

	Exposition Site	City Collections	Desk Receipts	Rent	Insurance	Misc.	Interest	Carnegie Bldg. Fund	Cash for City Blk. 510	Total
1894		$ 49,773.52	$ 113.66							$ 49,887.18
1895		59,035.80	2,593.26			$ 3.41				61,632.47
1896		61,929.51	3,649.98	$ 482.79		87.96				66,150.24
1897		64,663.32	3,741.31	1,879.56		187.72				70,471.91
1898		67,638.45	3,839.86	1,480.00		424.81				73,383.12
1899		71,340.13	3,901.72	12,328.55	$39,742.72*	476.24				127,789.36
1900		73,781.47	4,392.48	12,945.50		51.98				91,171.43
1901		75,727.18	5,095.81	13,501.46		398.23				94,722.68
1902		149,321.24	5,852.79	11,649.13		204.75				167,027.91
1903	$ 76,443.69	166,554.50	6,302.87	12,286.71		626.79				262,214.56
1904	86,315.30	173,064.63	6,324.46	15,417.83		244.97				281,367.19
1905	92,095.21	178,998.64	6,037.49	16,893.86	2,501.98†	997.03				297,524.21
1906	3,350.00	182,676.83	5,914.14	12,303.40	6,059.79	1,334.06	$1,245.60	$ 72,392.04		285,275.86
1907		191,409.51	6,696.42	4,201.18	425.38	318.75	1,654.41	157,018.00	$650,000.00	1,011,723.65
Total	$258,204.20	$1,565,914.73	$64,456.25	$115,369.97	$48,729.87	$5,356.70	$2,900.01	$229,410.04	$650,000.00	$2,940,341.77

EXPENDITURES.

	Central Library Site	Maintenance Central Library	Real Estate—City Blocks 510-511	Misc.	Barr Branch	Cabanne Branch	Carondelet Branch	Total
1894		$ 2,876.19						$ 2,876.19
1895		43,305.69						43,305.69
1896		52,318.45	$ 40,900.00					93,218.45
1897		48,738.69	24,872.58					73,611.27
1898		58,051.90	29,972.00					88,023.90
1899		55,811.21	88,347.95					144,159.16
1900		45,789.48	36,973.36					82,762.84
1901		53,687.33	35,366.34					89,053.67
1902		67,623.32	36,801.44					104,424.76
1903	$217,405.33	69,261.92	28,795.91					315,463.16
1904	26,273.08	68,224.70	186,410.76					280,908.54
1905	4,612.99	77,388.66	182,222.40	$ 452.39‡				264,676.44
1906	253.20	91,990.34	3,308.48	319.00	$30,462.58	$12,518.50		138,852.10
1907	724.23	101,442.97	8,676.80	329.00	45,782.63	48,580.78	$7,087.15	212,623.56
Total	$249,268.83	$836,510.85	$702,648.02	$1,100.39	$76,245.21	$61,099.28	$7,087.15	$1,933,959.73

Balance in City Treasury April 8, 1907	164,289.87
Balance in Bank Fund April 1, 1907	718,697.03
Balance in Carnegie Building Fund, April 1, 1907	119,941.02
Balance in Contingent Fund, April 1, 1907	330.18
Amt. short in Bank Fund } Through misappropriation of	
Amt. short in Contingent Fund } funds	3,123.94
	$2,940,341.77

*For houses on city block 510 burned immediately after the purchase of the property.
†On Model Library.
‡On Model Library and Barr Branch site.

SUMMARY OF STATISTICS.

The following statistics present briefly the work of the year:

The collection was increased by the addition of 35,550 volumes, duly catalogued and placed on the shelves ready for use. Of these 1,706 were gifts. The total included 682 volumes in German, 349 in French, and 147 in various other languages.

The donations for the year numbered 1,437 volumes, 7,656 pamphlets, 10 pictures, 2 casts, 2 portraits, and 33 maps, from 1,134 different sources. A complete list of donors is presented in an appendix.

The registered readers numbered, at the close of the year, 64,804. Particulars will be found under the department.

The total number of books and periodicals issued during the year was 1,437,562, a gain of 27,181 over the previous year. The number of books drawn for home and school reading was 1,124,716. Books used in the library numbered 97,867, and periodicals, 214,979. Full details appear later in tabular form.

ORDER AND CATALOGUE DEPARTMENT.

The additions for 1905-1906 (26,714 volumes) were reported to have exceeded those of any previous year in the history of the library. The year 1906-1907 has again broken the record, the additions for the year numbering 35,550 volumes. This is an increase of 8,836 volumes over last year. Of the total number of books, 29,903 were entered in the regular manner and 5,647 were added to the "School Collection." Of the former 682 were in the German language, 349 in French and 147 in other languages. Of the books entered and catalogued, 4,562 volumes were for the Barr Branch, 7,049 for the Cabanne Branch and 222 for the Carondelet Branch. The number added by gift was 1,706 volumes. Of this number 47 were books for the blind.

The books on the shelves were carefully examined during the summer with the result that thousands of volumes were withdrawn as worn out or so soiled as to be unfit for circulation. These with the volumes lost and paid for and those charged to borrowers and not returned, amounted to 16,090. Notwithstanding this, the net increase amounted to 19,460 volumes, the largest net increase in the history of the library.

The depository catalogue of the Library of Congress now fills four large cabinets and eighteen single trays. It has been consulted by a few librarians from other libraries desirous of ordering cards from the Library of Congress and by very few outsiders. As it becomes better known its use by persons doing reference work will undoubtedly increase and in the meantime it is an extremely valuable tool to the Catalogue Department.

The Bulletin has appeared regularly throughout the year. The editing is done by the first assistant cataloguer, while the preparation of the material is shared by various members of the staff. Each cataloguer writes an additional slip for the Bulletin. These, with the notes prepared for the Book Committee, form the material from which the "List of Additions" is made.

Fifty-eight thousand six hundred and seventy-four cards were written and inserted in the different catalogues. Of this number 22,526 were printed cards obtained from the Library of Congress and the Library Bureau, and English history cards and entries mounted from the A. L. A. booklist and from The Publishers' Weekly. The large increase in the number of Library of Congress cards used is principally due to the branch cata-

logues, although the number for the Central Library has also increased. In the Author Index, covering names from Irving to Jewett, such cards as had been soiled by use or soot were copied.

In addition to cards noted above 11,871 shelf-list cards have been written and inserted, including cards for classes 90-90a, which were copied on to the small standard size card.

The 1907 inventory was commenced on March 14th. This took up much of the time of the department for the remainder of the year and will continue to absorb the full time of several assistants for some weeks to come.

ADDITIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1907.

CLASSES.	Central Library.		Barr Branch.		Cabanne Branch.	Carondelet Branch.	TOTAL.
	Regular	Collection of Duplicates	Regular	Collection of Duplicates			
Philosophy	77		2		138	4	221
Religion	210		16		221	4	451
Social Science	1,490		92		581	26	2,189
Natural Science and Useful Arts	1,267		70		664	12	2,013
Art and Poetry	1,260		68		506	12	1,846
Fiction	5,031	831	1,225	172	1,376	29	8,664
Juvenile Literature	5,996	1	2,563		1,308	39	9,907
Literary Miscellany	433	4	81		428	11	957
Travels and History	931		199		1,808	71	3,009
Cyclopaedias and Periodicals	539		74		19	14	646
	17,234	836	4,390	172	7,049	222	29,903
Source							
Purchase	15,038	836	4,263	172	7,012	215	27,536
Gift	1,571		96		32	7	1,706
Pamphlets, bound	209		6		2		217
Periodicals, bound	416		25		3		444
	17,234	836	4,390	172	7,049	222	29,903
Language							
English	16,131	836	4,363	172	6,993	222	28,717
French	315		15		19		349
German	641		11		30		682
Other	147		1		7		155
	17,234	836	4,390	172	7,049	222	29,903
School Sets							5,647
Total							35,550

Books for the blind, 47.
Periodicals to complete sets, 500.

BOOKS WORN OUT, LOST AND PAID FOR, ETC., 1906-7.

Withdrawn		15,546
Lost and paid for:		
Central Library	324	
Barr Branch	7	331
Burned on account of contagious disease		4
Mutilated and paid for:		
Central Library	1	
Barr Branch	1	2
Charged to borrowers and not returned:		
For reading-room use	6	
For home use	132	138
Books lost at schools, 1906-7		69
Total		16,090
Total additions	35,550	
Less above	16,090	
Net increase	19,460	

Of the 15,546 volumes worn out and withdrawn from circulation, 10,108 were replaced by new copies, as were also 260 volumes out of the 331 lost and paid for; and the two that had been mutilated and paid for were replaced. Of the 138 charged to borrowers and not returned 74 are to be replaced.

CONTENTS OF THE LIBRARY.

As the count of the inventory of 1907 has not been made the inventory of 1903 must once more be taken as a basis. Adding the net increase of the years 1903-4, 1904-5, 1905-6 and 1906-7, we obtain with fair accuracy the contents at the end of this year.

Total contents of Library, April 30, 1903	165,658
Net increase May 1, 1903-April 30, 1904	9,920
Net increase May 1, 1904-April 30, 1905	14,817
Net increase May 1, 1905-April 30, 1906	12,925
Net increase May 1, 1906-April 30, 1907	19,460
Total contents, April 30, 1907	222,780

SOME NOTEWORTHY ADDITIONS: ARRANGED IN ORDER OF CLASS.

RECORDS of Salem witchcraft. 1864. 2 v. Sqr. Q.	Ref. 12m
MUSS-ARNOLT, W. Concise dictionary of the Assyrian language. 1905. 2 v. O.	Ref. 34
BOSWORTH, J. Anglo-Saxon dictionary; ed. by T. N. Toller. v. d. Q.	Ref. 34a
THESAURUS linguae latinae. 1900-6. 2 v. F.	Ref. 34b
COPPERTHWAITE, W. C. Tunnel shields. 1906. Q.	S. S. 40a
PEOPLE'S natural history. 1905. 5 v. Q.	S. S. 46
PARKER, T. J., *and* HASWELL, W. A. Textbook of zoology. 1897. 2 v. O.	50
JORDAN, D. S. Guide to the study of fishes. 1905. 2 v. Q.	50a
BREASTED, J. H. Ancient records of Egypt. 1906. 3 v. O.	51a
DAWKINS, W. B. Early man in Britain. 1880. O.	51a
EGYPTIAN Research Account. Publications. v. 1-9. 1896-1906. 12 v. F.	Ref. 51a

LAYARD, *Sir* A. H. Monuments of Nineveh. 1853. 2 v. F6. Ref. 51a
GOMME, A. B., *comp.* Traditional games. 1894-8. 2 v. O. 57
WATSON, J. Dog book. 1906. 2 v. Q. 57c4
GOETHE, J. W. v. Propylaeen. 1798-1800. 3 v. D. 64
LINDSAY, A. W. C. Sketches of history of Christian art. 1885. 2 v. D. 65
STURGIS, R. Study of the artist's way of working. 1905. 2 v. Q. Ref. 65
BEAUCLAIR, R., *and* GRADL, M. I., *eds.* Documents d'architecture-moderne. vol. 2-4. n. d. 3 v. F4. Ref. 65a
CALVERT, A. F. Moorish remains in Spain. 1906. O. Ref. 65a
CLAY, F. Modern school buildings. 1906. Q. 65a
FIELD, H., *and* BUNNEY, M. English domestic architecture. 1905. F. 65a
GERLACH, M. Volkstuemliche Kunst. n. d. Ob. Q. Ref. 65a
GWILT, J. Encyclopedia of architecture. 1903. D. S. S. 65a
HESSLING, Z. Le vieux Paris. vol. 1. n. d. F5. Ref. 65a
NOLHAC, P. Creation de Versailles. 1901. F. Ref. 65a
OUR national cathedrals. n. d. 3 v. O. S. S. 65a
PUGIN, A. *and* A. N. W. Examples of Gothic architecture. 1850. 3 v. F. Ref. 65a
TRIGGS, H. I. Some architectural works of Inigo Jones. 1901. F5. Ref. 65a
VIOLLET-LE-DUC, E. E. Lectures on architecture. 1877-81. 2 v. Q. Ref. 65a
KUGLER, F. T. Italian schools of painting. 1902. 2 v. O. 65c
MARSHALL, J. Anatomy for artists. 1890. S. S. 65c
MUTHER, R. History of modern painting. 1895. 3 v. Q. Ref. 65c
ROOSES, M. Rubens. 1904. F. 65c
PENNELL, J. *and* E. R. Lithography and lithographers. 1898. F4. Ref. 65d
GEFFROY, G. National Gallery. 1905. F. Ref. 65e
RICKETTS, C. S. The Prado. 1903. F4. Ref. 65e
ADAM, R. *and* J. Decorative work. 1901. F5. Ref. 65g
GREAT BRITAIN. *British Museum. Dept. of British and mediaeval antiquities and ethnography.* Catalogue of Eng. pottery by R. L. Hobson. 1903. Q. Ref. 65g
TIMMS & WEBB, *comps.* Die fuenfunddreissig Moebelstyle. n. d. F5. Ref. 65g
WALTERS, H. B. History of ancient pottery. 1905. 2 v. O. Ref. 65g
THORNBURY, G. W. Shakespeare's England. 1856. 2 v. D. 67d1
PRIOR, R. C. A. Ancient Danish ballads. 1860. 3 v. O. 68
GUESSARD, F., *ed.* Anciens poetes de la France. 1859-70. 10 v. S. 68f
HUGO, V. M. Oeuvres completes; poesie. n. d. 16 v. Q. 68f
SHELDON, E. S. *and* WHITE, A. C. Concordanza delle opere Dante Alighieri. 1905. O. Ref. 68i
BOOK-auction records. vol. 1, pt. 2, vol. 2-3. 1904-6. 3 v. O. Ref. 78c
BRINKMAN'S catalogus der boeken, plaat-en kaart werken. 1900. Q. Ref. 78c
U. S. catalog; books published 1902-5. 1906. Q. Ref. 78c
PHILIP, G. Philip's mercantile marine atlas. n. d. F6. Ref. 81b
RITTER, K. Complete geography of Palestine. 1866. 4 v. O. 85b
EBERS, G. M. Egypt. [pref. 1878-9.] 2 v. F. Ref. 86b
WINSHIP, G. P. Sailors' narratives of voyages, New England coast, 1524-1624. 1905. O. 91
GUE, B. F. History of Iowa. [c1903.] 4 v. O. Ref. 91d

MUNSELL, J. Annals of Albany. 1869. 10 v. D. Ref. 91e
GARCILASO DE LA VEGA. La Florida del' Inca. 1723. Q. Ref. 92c
BESANT, *Sir* W. Mediaeval London. 1906. 2 v. Q. Ref. 93a
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BINDING.

During the year, 1984 volumes of periodicals and books bought in paper covers were bound at an average cost of 65 cents per volume. Of these, 1,652 volumes were bound for the Central Library, 317 volumes for the Barr Branch and 15 volumes for the Cabanne Branch.

16,737 volumes were rebound and repaired at the bindery at a total cost of $7,005.80.

CIRCULATION DEPARTMENT.

REGISTRATION.

The registration for the year numbered 22,602 names. Of these 15,353 were registered for the first time and 7,249 were renewals, in accordance with the rule which requires a re-registration at the end of every three years. In addition to the regular reader's card 1,553 "extra" (non-fiction) cards were issued and 404 "teachers'" cards. Detailed statistics of the registration follow:

	Central Library.	Barr Branch.	Total.
Registered	12,577	2,776	15,353
Re-registered	6,503	746	7,249
	19,080	3,522	22,602
Extra cards	1,409	144	1,553
Teachers' cards	367	37	404
Total cards issued	20,856	3,703	24,559

	Central Library	Barr Branch	Total
Cards re-written	17,501	1,665	19,166
Lost cards replaced	1,655	196	1,851
Addresses changed	3,964	110	4,074
Guarantors withdrawn	171	3	174

Total cards in force, April 30, 1906	62,179	
Registered May 1, 1906-April 30, 1907	15,353	77,532
Cards expiring to April 30, 1907	19,977	
Less re-registered	7,249	12,728
		64,804
Total cards in force, April 30, 1907,		
Men	15,831	
Women	17,734	
Children	31,170	
Institutions	69	64,804

REGISTRATION BY WARDS FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1907.

Ward.	Central Library	Barr Branch	Total.	Ward.	Central Library	Barr Branch	Total.
1	864	3	867	17	439	2	441
2	404		404	18	373		373
3	338	1	339	19	690	1	691
4	330		330	20	558	1	559
5	168		168	21	640	4	644
6	513	135	648	22	701	3	704
7	350	97	447	23	410	162	572
8	291	79	370	24	1,245	146	1,391
9	411	61	472	25	896	5	901
10	976	145	1,121	26	856	1	857
11	749	16	765	27	1,847	5	1,852
12	606	1,174	1,780	28	2,551	5	2,556
13	403	1,438	1,841	Sub'rb'n	394	5	399
14	284	30	314				
15	455	2	457				
16	338	1	339	Total..	19,080	3,522	22,602

TOTAL REGISTRATION BY WARDS.

Ward.		Ward.		Ward.	
1	2,079	11	1,845	21	2,000
2	1,568	12	3,566	22	2,355
3	1,674	13	3,429	23	1,573
4	1,151	14	930	24	4,154
5	724	15	1,484	25	3,312
6	1,584	16	1,110	26	3,053
7	1,089	17	1,423	27	4,569
8	1,251	18	1,398	28	5,845
9	2,028	19	3,192	Suburban	784
10	3,563	20	2,071		
				Total	64,804

RECORDS AND NOTICES.

CENTRAL LIBRARY.

During the year 32,758 book cards were rewritten, and 21,726 notices were sent for overdue books,—16,128 first notices, 4,400 second and 1,198 third. The third notice for an overdue book is followed by a call by a messenger. During the year 483 such calls were made; 93 books were brought back by the messenger; 275 were shortly returned by the card holder; and 57 more were secured through the guarantors, 4 by the library attorney, leaving 54, 6 of which were charged for reading room use, that had not been recovered at the close of the year. The holders of these could not be found. These 54 are included in the 138 books reported lost. 47 volumes were lost at the delivery stations; 17 at schools; and the balance were unaccounted for.

Among the chief items of other routine correspondence were 1721 notices sent to infected houses, directing occupants to hand over to the health officers any library books they had; 1231 notices of books reserved, and 1790 miscellaneous notices, besides many letters of greater or less length supplying information or straightening out difficulties or answering minor complaints.

All serious complaints and requests for bibliographical or general information go directly to the librarian for reply.

BARR BRANCH.

At the Barr Branch, 747 book cards were rewritten and 1,007 notices were sent for overdue books:—787 first notices, 176 second and 44 third. The messenger called for 22 volumes and recovered all but 3. In addition to this 127 notices of books reserved and 79 letters were sent to supply information or to straighten out difficulties.

ISSUE STATISTICS.

Home Issue,					
Central Library,					
Main desk		164,659			
Open shelves	147,819				
Collection of Duplicates.	37,066	184,885			
Juvenile Department,					
Desk issue	93,802				
Supplementary Reading	278,711				
Depositories	45,859	418,372			
Delivery Stations		260,313	1,028,229		
Barr Branch,					
Main desk...	41,798				
New books..	3,822				
Collection of Duplicates.	3,461				
Juvenile Literature ...	47,406		96,487	1,124,716	
Library Issue,					
Central Library			89,611		
Barr Branch			8,256	97,867	1,222,583
Periodical issue (Central Library)					214,979
Total issue in all Departments					1,437,562

ISSUE BY MONTHS AT THE CENTRAL LIBRARY.

	HOME ISSUE				USED IN THE LIBRARY		
	Main Desk	Delivery Stations	Schools and Depositories	Total	Books	Periodicals	Total
May	36,308	32,576	37,990	106,874	6,803	16,954	130,631
June	35,578	19,138	2,929	57,645	5,691	14,492	77,828
July	34,115	16,954	1,775	52,844	4,680	13,427	70,951
August ..	34,176	16,630		50,806	4,690	13,083	68,579
Sept	32,095	14,244	9,397	55,736	6,150	13,263	75,149
Oct.	37,205	19,359	32,601	89,165	7,676	17,764	114,605
Nov.	37,180	23,637	41,894	102,711	7,538	18,890	129,139
Dec.	36,552	21,986	31,832	90,370	9,064	20,599	120,033
Jan.	41,791	24,234	39,540	105,565	10,452	24,467	140,484
Feb.	39,960	22,797	37,696	100,453	9,552	20,912	130,917
March ...	39,648	24,958	42,914	107,520	9,036	21,634	138,190
April	38,738	23,800	46,002	108,540	8,279	19,494	136,313
Total..	443,346	260,313	324,570	1,028,229	89,611	214,979	1,332,819

ISSUE BY MONTHS AT THE BARR BRANCH.

	HOME ISSUE				USED IN THE LIBRARY		
				Total	Books	Periodicals	Total
Sept.	3,691			3,691	70		3,761
Oct.	12,555			12,555	646		13,201
Nov.	13,030			13,030	378		13,408
Dec.	12,484			12,484	1,025	No record.	13,509
Jan.	14,091			14,091	1,882		15,973
Feb.	13,007			13,007	1,673		14,680
March ...	13,500			13,500	1,427		14,927
April	14,129			14,129	1,155		15,284
Total ..	96,487			96,487	8,256		104,743

SUMMARY OF ISSUE.

	HOME ISSUE				USED AT THE LIBRARY		
	Main Desk	Delivery Stations	Schools and Depositories	Total	Books	Periodicals	Total
Central Library	443,346	260,313	324,570	1,028,229	89,611	214,979	1,332,819
Barr Branch	96,487			96,487	8,256	No record.	104,743
Total, 1906-'07.	539,833	260,313	324,570	1,124,716	97,867	214,979	1,437,562
Total, 1905-'06.	462,388	298,511	323,445	1,084,344	100,457	225,580	1,410,381
Gain	77,445		1,125	40,372			27,181
Loss		38,198			2,590	10,601	

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION AT CENTRAL LIBRARY.

	Home Issue	Per Cent	Library Issue	Per Cent	Total	Per Cent
Philosophy	3,987	.39	1,088	1.22	5,075	.46
Religion	4,680	.46	2,704	3.02	7,384	.66
Social Science	9,453	.92	13,462	15.02	22,923	2.05
Natural Science	19,555	1.90	10,568	11.79	30,119	2.70
Art	4,739	.46	7,424	8.29	12,164	1.08
Poetry	11,730	1.14	2,134	2.38	13,876	1.24
Fiction, regular	365,473	35.54	6,669	7.44	372,125	33.29
Collection of Duplicates.	*37,938	3.69			37,938	3.39
Juvenile Literature	528,973	51.45	737	.82	529,711	47,39
Literary Miscellany	11,393	1.11	5,334	5.95	16,742	1.49
Travels	7,750	.75	3,220	3.60	10,954	.98
History	9,912	.96	5,012	5.59	14,924	1.34
Biography	7,148	.70	4,892	5.46	12,040	1.08
Magazines	5,498	.53	26,367	29.42	31,865	2.85
Total	1,028,229	100.00	89,611	100.00	1,117,840	100.00

***Since the financial year begins the first of April, and the statistical year the first of May, the number of duplicates issued as given in this report does not agree with the amount of money received for duplicates.**

SUMMARIES.

HOME ISSUE.

	Central Library.			Barr Branch.			Total.		
	Regular Collection.	Collection of Duplicates.	TOTAL.	Regular Collection.	Collection of Duplicates.	TOTAL.	Regular Collection.	Collection of Duplicates.	TOTAL.
1905-06	1,052,533	31,811	1,084,344				1,052,533	31,811	1,084,344
1906-07	990,281	37,938	1,028,229	93,026	3,461	96,487	1,083,317	41,399	1,124,716
Gain		6,127		93,026	3,461	96,487	30,784	9,588	40,372
Loss	62,242		56,115						

LIBRARY ISSUE.

	Central Library.	Barr Branch.	Total.
1905-06	100,457		100,457
1906-07	89,611	8,256	97,867
Gain		8,256	
Loss	10,846		2,590

TOTAL ISSUE OF BOOKS.

	Central Library.	Barr Branch.	Total.
1905-06	1,184,801		1,184,801
1906-07	1,117,840	104,743	1,222,583
Gain		104,743	37,782
Loss	66,961		

PERIODICAL ISSUE.

	Central Library.	Barr Branch.	Total.
1905-06	225,580		225,580
1906-07	214,979	No record.	214,979
Gain			
Loss	10,601		10,601

TOTAL ISSUE IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.

	Central Library.	Barr Branch.	Total.
1905-06	1,410,381		1,410,381
1906-07	1,332,819	104,743	1,437,562
Gain		104,743	27,181
Loss	77,562		

CENTRAL LIBRARY.

LARGEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, SATURDAY, MARCH 2, 1907.

Main desk	954
Open shelves	952
Juvenile	2,570
Delivery stations	1,159
Total home issue	5,635
Library issue	450
Periodical issue	878
Total issue in all departments	6,963

SMALLEST WEEK-DAY ISSUE, THURSDAY, AUGUST 16, 1906.

Main desk	354
Open shelves	444
Juvenile	198
Delivery stations	567
Total home issue	1,563
Library issue	135
Periodical issue	437
Total issue in all departments	2,135

LARGEST SUNDAY ISSUE, MARCH 3, 1907.

Library issue	198
Periodical issue	436
Total	634

SMALLEST SUNDAY ISSUE, JULY 1, 1906.

Library issue	40
Periodical issue	184
Total	224

TOTAL SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	5,123
Periodical issue	16,623
Total	21,746

AVERAGE SUNDAY ISSUE.

Library issue	98
Periodical issue	320
Total	418

AVERAGE DAILY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,295
Library issue	245
Periodical issue	589
Total	4,129

AVERAGE WEEK-DAY ISSUE.

Home issue	3,295
Library issue	287
Periodical issue	689
Total	4,271

HOLIDAY ISSUE, 1906-1907.

	Home.	Library.	Periodical.	Total.
Decoration Day	2,291	226	533	3,050
Fourth of July	53	60	339	452
Labor Day	1,158	129	442	1,729
Thanksgiving	1,494	100	639	2,233
Christmas	14	84	317	415
New Year's Day	1,082	130	553	1,765
Washington's Birthday	3,875	380	790	5,045
Total	9,967	1,109	3,613	14,689
Average	1,424	158	516	2,098

COLLECTION OF DUPLICATES ISSUED BY YEARS.

'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
11,986	15,159	13,476	16,915	15,815	25,984	35,816	41,263	42,933	37,306	32,021	32,675	41,399

TOTAL ISSUE BY YEARS.

	'94-'95	'95-'96	'96-'97	'97-'98	'98-'99	'99-'00	'00-'01	'01-'02	'02-'03	'03-'04	'04-'05	'05-'06	'06-'07
Home	331,426	472,718	551,059	647,171	698,339	707,823	740,179	778,507	902,768	939,623	962,538	1,084,344	1,124,716
Reading Room..	165,359	170,142	184,729	204,259	195,783	201,886	187,812	208,757	232,892	243,213	260,321	225,580	214,979
Reference and Library	40,628	46,082	51,240	69,070	65,732	69,966	70,606	95,106	101,971	111,662	111,247	100,457	97,867
Total	537,413	688,942	788,028	920,500	959,854	976,675	998,597	1,082,370	1,237,631	1,294,498	1,334,106	1,410,381	1,437,562

REFERENCE DEPARTMENT.
1906-1907.

The total recorded issue of reference books for the year was 71,522, not so large as in recent years. Contrary to the record of former years January proved the busiest month, and January 12th showed the largest issue for one day, 603 volumes.

Although the result of the recent inventory is not known, it is safe to state that the reference collection has grown rapidly during the past four years, there being practically no loss through withdrawal or other cause. Large additions have been made to the magazine files, the Poole set now being nearly complete. The collection of government and state documents has grown steadily, and the various hand-books and year-books have been added as they have appeared.

The year has seen many notable acquisitions, of which it is impossible to make full mention here. Of particular interest perhaps, is the strengthening of the genealogical collection through the addition of the follow-regular publications: Maryland Historical Magazine, Genealogical Magazine, New Hampshire Genealogical Record, Connecticut Magazine, Essex Antiquarian, Mayflower Descendant and Virginia Magazine. These together with the Pennsylvania Magazine and New England Historical and Genealogical Register, already on our list, make a fair working collection. An index to the genealogical material in the Library, arranged by locality, is being prepared for those interested in this subject.

Attention is also called to the following new and important acquisitions: Allegemeine Deutsche Biographie, 52 volumes; Nelson's encyclopedia, 12 volumes; Gue's History of Iowa, 4 volumes; Cambridge natural history, 9 volumes; Annals of Albany, 10 volumes.

In addition to its books and pamphlets, this department has gradually become the depository for some two hundred current periodicals—the overflow from the magazine reading room—which are now catalogued and shelved regularly as part of the pamphlet collection. They cover chiefly the fields of art, genealogy, medicine and trade.

Publications of every description are secured through gift by the reference librarian, who is constantly in communication with societies and institutions of many kinds. Over 1,000 letters, principally to labor unions and educational institutions were written during the past year.

This department also takes charge of the exchanges with other libraries. In addition to the Monthly Bulletin, which goes to about 300 of the larger libraries of the world, the year recorded the exchange of 51 pamphlets and 9 volumes.

The donations to the library during the year number 1,437 volumes, 7,656 pamphlets, 10 pictures, 2 casts, 2 portraits and 33 maps. Particularly noteworthy were the gifts of Miss Laura Perry, Mr. W. K. Bixby, Mr. J. W. Buel, Mr. W. M. Reedy, Miss Maude E. Endicott, Dr. G. Baumgarten, The Royal Commissioners of Great Britain to the Louisiana Purchase Exposition and The Civic League of St. Louis.

DELIVERY STATIONS DEPARTMENT.
1906-1907.

The number of books issued through the delivery stations this year was 260,313, a decrease of 38,198 compared with 1905-6. This loss may be ascribed to the opening of the Barr Branch, which displaced four excellent stations, and to the exceptionally mild weather of the early spring.

In December the library altered its method of supplying the high schools with books which are on the list of required reading in the English

courses. It had previously been the custom to withdraw many copies from the regular shelves, and send them in depositories to the high school principals, who issued them to the pupils for one night. This method was unsatisfactory both to the library and to the schools. Many times books were reported out at the library, when they were lying unused at the schools. As a substitute for the old method, therefore, the library adopted the supplementary reading idea, followed so successfully for some years with the grammar schools. Sets of from ten to thirty copies of the most popular books on the list were bought (in a few cases they were made up from a surplus on the shelves) and sent to the Central and McKinley High Schools. Though at this time the principals have not expressed themselves concerning this experiment, and though it is too soon to declare it the best plan yet devised, one advantage is clear—the library no longer refuses to the general public standard novels like Ivanhoe, Henry Esmond, Tale of Two Cities, and Harold, because its shelves have been temporarily emptied by an overwhelming high school call.

Depository libraries were distributed as usual by this department, wherever it was thought they would receive steady use. The most important was that sent to the Barr Branch in its early months, before its collection could be properly increased by new orders. The Central and Yeatman High Schools received generous loans of books in the fiction, history, poetry, essay and biography classes, and miscellaneous collections were sent to the Y. W. C. A. and to the Sunlight Factory.

The very useful school station work was continued. Library assistants, spending one or two afternoons a week during the winter and spring, issued at six schools 32,760 books. A table follows.

Ames	2,734
Ashland	8,821
Blair	3,178
Dozier	2,187
Emerson	7,187
Irving	8,653
Total	32,760

The Emerson and Dozier Schools were selected because of their proximity to the Cabanne Branch, which will be completed before the opening of another school year.

The following changes in delivery stations were made during the year:

Stations discontinued:—

Station 25, Lafayette and California Aves.
Station 46, Jefferson and Shenandoah Aves.
Station 26, Jefferson and Chouteau Aves.
Station 24, Compton and Park Aves.
Station 52, 7th and Cass Ave.

The first four, 24, 25, 26 and 46, were displaced by the Barr Branch.

New Stations:—

Station 24, Russell and Vandeventer Aves.
Station 25, 2752 Chippewa St.
Station 46, Grand and St. Louis Aves.
Station 52, 11th and Madison Sts.
Station 61, Taylor Ave. and Olive St.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.
1906-1907.

This department has grown in the usual way, mainly through the work in the schools. At the desk, books were issued for home use to the number of 93,802, a small gain of 1,386, which would have been greater but for the opening of the Barr Branch.

The school depository issue shows a marked decrease—from 78,908 to 45,859. This is an instance of the difficulty one finds in telling facts through figures alone. In reality more school children used library books than ever before. Schools near the Barr Branch were refused depository collections, and those near the site of the Cabanne were made temporary sub-stations, to which library assistants were sent once or twice a week. Both neighborhoods therefore, found the library nearer than ever before, and yet depository collections in the school rooms were given up.

The use of supplementary reading sets is still on the increase. This year the issue amounted to 278,711 volumes, a gain of 34,174 over 1905-6, and almost double the number for 1904-5. In former years these sets have been made up for the grammar schools alone, but this year a few were added for the high schools, and have been steadily used. A discussion of this experiment will be found under the head of Delivery Stations.

Of the 80 white grammar schools, 78 used sets regularly, and of the 12 colored grammar schools 5 used them, Supplementary reading was also furnished to 12 evening schools, 11 public and one Jewish, and to the St. Mathews Catholic School.

Two tables display in detail the work with the schools. The first gives the record of schools which used depositories, and the second gathers up by months the total figures for both depositories and supplementary reading.

The following new sets, 23 in number, were added during the year.

Grade 1-2.

Deming.....Children of the wild.....1 set.
Deming.....Little red people.....1 set.
Fox.....Indian primer 1 set.
Grover.....Folklore reader: a primer.....3 sets.

Grade 2-3.

DeFoe.....Robinson Crusoe. (Baldwin).....3 sets.
Shaw.....Fairy tales for second school year.....3 sets.

Grade 3-4.

Baker.....Out of the Northland.....1 set.

Grade 5-6.

Baldwin.....Thirty more famous stories retold.....2 sets.
Chaucer.....Stories from Chaucer told to the children. (Kelman) 1 set.
Dickens.....Child's David Copperfield and Oliver Twist.....1 set.
Greenwood.....Stories from famous ballads.....1 set.
McSpadden.....Stories from Wagner.....2 sets.

Grade 7-8.

Dickens.....Christmas stories 1 set.
Guerber.....Story of the thirteen colonies.....1 set.
Guerber.....Story of the Great Republic.....1 set.

One hundred and twenty-two sets were worn out and replaced.

As it is now ten years since the supplementary reading was introduced by the library, it was necessary last summer to replace a large number of sets, which had been diligently used and were much worn.

	Sets.	Copies
Sets on hand April 30, 1906	635	18,960
Worn out and not replaced	22	620
	613	18,340
New sets added	23	690
Duplicate sets added	36	1,080
Sets on hand April 30, 1907	672	20,110

Of the 278,711 issues from the supplementary sets, 109 books were lost, of which 75 were paid for. From the depository collections, out of 45,859 issues, 21 books were lost, and 17 paid for.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DEPOSITORY LIBRARIES, 1906-1907.

Schools	Rooms	Books	Weeks	Total Issue	Average per Week
Benton	1	25	9	202	22
Bryan Hill	1	30	5	224	45
Carondelet	1	45	31	941	30
Carroll	2	85	32	2877	90
Charless	11	330	4	415	104
Clay	1	30	3	100	33
Clinton	1	50	5	186	37
Columbia	7	331	31	7775	251
Eliot	14	305	31	8387	271
Emerson	1	57	33	2256	68
Fremont	6	263	3	612	204
Froebel	1	300	28	6765	242
Gardenville	1	30	27	481	18
Gratiot	2	100	28	2040	73
Harrison	8	273	29	1748	60
Humboldt	1	65	2	126	63
Industrial	1	24	2	21	11
Laclede	1	60	3	175	58
Lafayette	1	30	6	150	25
Monroe	2	60	33	1618	49
Kensington	1	21	5	24	5
Marquette	1	30	3	57	19
Oak Hill	6	110	23	1595	69
Phillips	1	26	28	292	10
Rock Spring	3	200	9	746	83
Sherman	1	23	14	271	19
Shepard	5	194	34	4387	129
Washington	1	50	1	40	40
Walnut Park	2	100	14	1075	77
Webster	1	40	5	273	55
Total	86	3287	...	45859	...

SCHOOL ISSUE REPORT, 1906-1907.

Months	Supplementary	Depository	Total
May	30,718	7,272	37,990
June	2,645	284	2,929
July	1,775		1,775
September	9,057	340	9,397
October	29,935	2,660	32,585
November	36,080	5,814	41,894
December	25,991	5,841	31,832
January	34,480	5,060	39,540
February	32,520	5,176	37,696
March	35,680	7,234	42,914
April	39,830	6,172	46,002
Total	278,711	45,859	324,570

BARR BRANCH.

The Barr Branch, first of the Carnegie buildings, began its work September 18, 1906. During the first seven months, the records of which are set forth in this report, it registered 3,522 readers, of whom 2,776 had never had library cards before. Of this total 2,169, or nearly 60% were children. The home issue of books numbered 96,487, an average of about 13,000 a month and of 505 for each day, or about 12% of the total home issue of the library system. Here again the use of the branch by children is conspicuous; 47,186 books, about 49% of the total were juveniles. The collection received large additions during the first few months. It was originally composed of the books of the Model Library, displayed in the Missouri Building at the World's Fair, and comprising the greater part of the 8,000 volumes recommended in the catalogue of the American Library Association. Though a suitable foundation, this proved insufficient for the demand at the Barr Branch, particularly in the adult fiction and juvenile classes. During the seven months, therefore, the collection was increased by 4,216 new books.

The affiliation between the branch and the main library is as close as possible. Books may be taken from either place and returned at the other, the same card being honored at both. Volumes not in the branch collection are sent out from the central library for temporary use on a day's notice, and special collections are loaned in the same way for the use of teachers in the neighborhood. The actual work of registering readers, who apply at the branch, is naturally performed at the central library, where all applications are filed, but the guarantor cards and signatures of applicants are received at the branch. The reader's card is then made out at the central building and sent to the branch within twenty-four hours. Daily transportation is provided.

All books at the branch library are on open shelves. For this reason a record of books consulted in the building can be but approximate, and will be kept only so long as it seems to have a value. The use of periodicals is not recorded.

The hours at the Barr Branch are at present twelve to nine on week days and two to six on Sundays. On the latter day there is no issue for home use. The staff is composed of five people, two of them young men—all trained in the St. Louis Public Library, except the children's Librarian, who attended the School for Children's Librarians in Pittsburgh. There are two janitors. To the painstaking, efficient work of these assistants, who show a natural pride in their attractive building, is

due a generous share of credit for the esteem which the branch enjoys. Special mention should be made of the story hour, never attempted in the St. Louis Public Library before, but most profitably conducted in the Barr Branch during the winter months.

The library reports with pleasure a steady use of the club room and auditorium. The former especially has proved of much value to the neighborhood. During the period since September, the following clubs and associations have held meetings there:—Ann Avenue Improvement Association; Lafayette Chautauqua Literary and Scientific Circle; Alumnae of the High School Girls' Literary Societies; South Side Philosophy Class, conducted by Denton J. Snider; and the Citizens' Association of the 13th ward.

Grateful acknowledgment is made to the generous friends who have made gifts to the Barr Branch. Mr. William Burg presented during the year nine original water-colors by A. M. Bouman, and Mrs. Harold H. Tittmann and Mrs. Nathaniel Day a statue of the Boy Franklin and His Whistle. Mrs. George O. Carpenter loaned the branch a handsome Japanese study in color, and the Society for the Promotion of St. Louis Art two oil paintings by St. Louis artists.

The record of branch registration follows:

Total registration, Sept. 18, 1906-Apr. 30, 1907	2,776	
Total re-registration, Sept. 18, 1906-Apr. 30, 1907	746	3,522

Total cards in force, April 30, 1907:

Men	553	
Women	798	
Children	2,169	
Institutions	2	3,522

Registration by months:

	Men.	Women.	Children.	Institutions.	Total.
September	95	128	412	.	635
October	115	182	528	2	827
November	79	105	287	..	471
December	55	60	170	..	285
January	65	93	176	..	334
February	50	92	189	..	331
March	48	60	224	..	332
April	46	78	183	..	307
Total	553	798	2,169	2	3,522

CIRCULATION AT THE BARR BRANCH.

ISSUE OF BOOKS.

Home Issue—		
Main desk	45,840	
Collection of Duplicates	3,461	49,301
Juvenile desk		47,186
Total home issue		96,487
Total library issue		8,256
Total issue in all departments		104,743

Classified issue by months at Barr Branch:—

	Sept. 18-30	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	Total
Philosophy	7	31	20	38	35	39	51	38	259
Religion	11	32	56	51	27	28	30	30	265
Social science	44	129	127	80	111	111	98	106	806
Natural science	176	340	246	248	305	269	305	241	2,130
Art	24	84	71	73	70	76	71	77	546
Poetry	60	231	186	147	135	188	213	198	1,358
Fiction, regular	1,297	4,190	4,327	4,383	5,743	5,251	5,338	5,744	36,273
Collection of Duplicates	93	366	421	497	535	503	539	507	3,461
Juvenile Literature	1,739	6,518	7,110	6,431	6,498	5,945	6,308	6,637	47,186
Literary miscellany	63	184	125	137	153	146	176	145	1,129
Travels	68	161	138	131	169	158	136	156	1,117
History	72	179	116	152	174	169	128	139	1,129
Biography	30	107	87	101	124	124	107	101	781
Magazines	7	3		15	12			10	47
Total Home Issue.	3,691	12,555	13,030	12,484	14,091	13,007	13,500	14,129	96,487
Library Issue	70	646	378	1,025	1,882	1,673	1,427	1,155	8,256
Total Circulation	3,761	13,201	13,408	13,509	15,973	14,680	14,927	15,284	104,743

Largest daily home issue, February 25, 1907.....840
Smallest daily home issue, September 28, 1906.....202
Average daily home issue.....505

HOLIDAY ISSUE.

	Home Issue.	Library Issue.	Total.
Thanksgiving Day	106	19	125
Washington's Birthday	376	64	440
Total	482	83	565

The Branch was closed on Christmas and New Year's Day.

CLASSIFIED CIRCULATION AT BARR BRANCH.

	Home Issue	Percent
Philosophy	259	.27
Religion	265	.27
Social science	806	.84
Natural science	2,130	2.21
Art	546	.56
Poetry	1,358	1.41
Fiction, regular	36,273	37.59
Collection of Duplicates	3,461	3.59
Juvenile Literature	47,186	48.90
Literary Miscellany	1,129	1.17
Travels	1,117	1.16
History	1,129	1.17
Biography	781	.81
Magazines	47	.05
Total	96,487	100.00

ADDITIONS TO THE COLLECTION.

September	260
October	303
November	1,969
December	655
January	273
February	307
March	168
April	281
Total	4,216 Volumes.

Nine volumes were lost and paid for; none were withdrawn from circulation; 1,565 were sent to the bindery and between 1,000 and 1,500 were repaired at the branch.

BRANCH EXPENDITURES.

Salaries:		
Assistants	$1,331.30	
Janitors	478.29	$1,809.59
Books	$3,287.91	
Binding	318.25	
Periodicals	210.52	$3,816.68
Insurance	188.00	
Printing and stationery	109.61	
Telephone service	78.54	
Janitors' supplies	143.99	
Miscellaneous	68.80	
Electric light and power	519.38	
Coal	181.17	
Water license	139.50	
Sprinkling taxes	6.84	$1,435.83
Total		$7,062.10

BARR BRANCH STAFF.

MAY GREENE Branch Librarian.
FERDINAND HENKE Assistant.
FRANCES BOWMAN Children's Librarian.
VERNE BOWLES Apprentice.
OSCAR KUPFERER Messenger.

STAFF.

During the past year the library lost the services of Joseph E. Brannigan, who after twelve years of efficient work resigned to enter business. Walter H. Mann and Robert R. Finster also left for commercial fields, while Misses Pattibelle Kirkland and Marie Carraher gave up their places to be married.

The library extends a cordial welcome to Mrs. N. M. DeLaughter, who has returned to the Catalogue Department after an absence of some years,



BARR BRANCH—DELIVERY ROOM

DEDICATION OF THE BARR BRANCH.

Address of F. W. Lehmann, President of the Library Board, at the opening, Sept. 17, 1906.

Ladies and Gentlemen:—

We have met here to-night to make formal dedication of this building to the beneficent uses for which it was designed. To the felicity of the occasion there is wanting the presence of one, who, above all others, should be here, the man under whose care and guidance the Public Library has been for nearly thirty years, and to whose zeal, loyalty, self-sacrifice, intelligence and industry, more than to any other individual agency, are due its growth and development, and the constant increase of its efficiency. On the 17th of January, 1877, Mr. Frederick M. Crunden was appointed librarian of what was then known as the Public School Library, and in that position he has continued to the present day, active always in the discharge of its duties until stricken with disease in the early months of this year. His appointment to the library was a consecration to its service. He devoted his life, and it may be that he has sacrificed his life, to the cause, but the devotion and the sacrifice have not been in vain. His efforts have been crowned with abundant success. The public library, which signified to him the complement and completion of our public educational system, upon the plan and scale of which he dreamed and for which he struggled, is now assured of realization. Could he but be spared until the airy fabric of his visions shall be translated into stone, with grateful heart he would say,

> "Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart
> In peace, according to thy word;
> For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,
> Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
> A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel."

It cannot be amiss to recall at this time, as we stand at the threshold of a great change, the various steps and stages in the progress of the Library, and to show what the people have done for it, and what it has done for the people.

Its beginning was in January, 1860, when Ira Divoll, then Superintendent of our public schools, recommended the institution of a library as an integral part of our Public School system. But at that time funds were wanting to the school board, and the Civil War coming on, increased the embarrassment. But Divoll did not relinquish his purpose, and in 1864 proposed a plan which, while it related the library to the school system, did not make it dependent upon public funds for support. This time he was successful. On February 3rd, 1865, the General Assembly of Missouri constituted S. D. Barlow, Ira Divoll, C. F. Childs and their associates a body corporate under the name of the "Public School Library Society of St. Louis," for the purpose of establishing and maintaining a "Public School Library and Lyceum." All persons who then were or might thereafter become "directors, officers, teachers or pupils of the St. Louis Public Schools," were eligible to become life members of the society, with a

voice in its government, upon the payment of twelve dollars. All other persons might become annual subscribers under such regulations as the Board of Trustees prescribed. The terms of annual subscription were fixed by the Board at three dollars. Honorary membership, without the right to vote, could be acquired by a donation of twenty-five dollars in cash or books. The School Board was authorized, but not required, to appropriate five thousand dollars to the uses of the library. No appropriation was made under this authority. The life members might pay their charge at one time, in annual payments of four dollars each, or in quarterly payments of one dollar.

The library was opened in the session room of the School Board in the Darby building, at the corner of Fifth and Olive Streets, with fifteen hundred volumes, made up chiefly of school reports, text books and juvenile literature. When its first report was made on June 1st, 1866, it had received $8,390.00 in membership fees, $110.00 in cash donations, $2,500.00 as the net proceeds of exhibitions, and presents of books valued at $1,000.00. The report says, "Seven months ago it was a library only in name, and in the hopes of a few zealous friends. To-day it boasts a collection of six thousand volumes of carefully selected works, arranged in commodious book cases, in two large and pleasant rooms."

The report is accompanied by a catalogue of the books, and I heartily endorse the statement that the selection of books was carefully made.

The men who assisted in the first foundation of the library were constant in their friendship, and their names frequently recur in the lists of trustees and committees of later years. I was pleased to note among the auxiliary committee, as a member from the third ward, the name of an honored citizen who has recently gone from us, Dr. Emil Preetorius, whose son, Edward Preetorius, in this respect, as in others, has taken up the work of his father, and is now, and for some years has been, a member of the Board of Directors of the Public Library, cheerfully doing its most laborious work as Chairman of the Auditing Committee.

On the 17th of April, 1869, the Library was transferred to the School Board, and this body agreed to aid its revenues by an annual appropriation of not less than three thousand dollars. The library now contained 12,000 volumes, and was moved to more commodious quarters in the Polytechnic building, at the corner of Seventh and Chestnut streets. The increase in the collection was due in part to purchases, and in part to donations. In the year 1866, the Franklin Library Association donated 1,060 volumes, the German institute 676, and the High school 812.

Under regulations now adopted, all persons who paid twelve dollars, either at one time or in partial payments within a period of three years, and all members or officers of the school board, were entitled to the privilege of the library and reading room for life.

All teachers of the St. Louis schools, and all pupils of the Normal school, were entitled to the privilege of the reading room, and pupils of the Polytechnic Institute who obtained certificates of good deportment and scholarship for one month, were entitled to all the privileges of the library for a period of three months, with the added privilege, if they obtained two or more certificates within a period of three years, of applying them in payment of a life membership at the value of one dollar each. Annual subscriptions were fixed at four dollars.

The first year under the new regime was a fortunate one for the library. It acquired the collection consisting of 5,631 volumes known as the Henry Ames Library of the O'Fallon Polytechnic Institute, and in addition, became the chief beneficiary of a fund of $100,000, which had been left by Henry Ames for the support of polytechnic instruction and library purposes.

But the library was far from being a public one. Its use was free to a very limited number, and the payment of four dollars a year then required for annual use, or even of twelve dollars to be paid within three years for life membership, excluded from its benefits those who stood in greatest need of them. But gradually the privileges of the library were being extended, and about this time were accorded to the pupils of evening schools as a reward for diligence and punctuality.

In 1874 the library was made free to all persons for all purposes of reading and reference within the rooms, and the appropriation from the school fund for its support was increased from $5,900 to $10,400.

With the year 1877, Mr. Crunden came in as Librarian, and found a collection of about 30,000 volumes, which, by the close of the year, was increased to above 39,000. His striving, however, was not alone for the increase of the collection, but more to extend the field of its influence. Under his persuasion, the annual subscription fee was reduced in 1879 from four dollars to three, and in 1883 from three dollars to two. In 1885 there was a further reduction to one dollar for persons under eighteen years of age. And so matters remained until the library was made free.

Restricted as the old library was by the limitations upon its full use, it had, none the less, done a good work and was appreciated by the people. During its first year it had 493 life members and 1,432 annual subscribers, and issued 31,572 volumes. It closed its career as the Public School Library with free reading and reference rooms, with 5,986 members and a total issue of books during its last year amounting to 271,664 volumes. Its collections had grown to 90,000 volumes, and it had become housed in its present quarters on the sixth and seventh floors of the Board of Education building.

On April 4th, 1893, the question of making the library a free and independent institution and of appropriating a tax of one-fifth of a mill on the dollar for its support was submitted to the people, and was carried by a vote of 36,235 to 6,188. The library was opened as a free institution June 1st, 1894. There was at once a great increase in its use. Up to April 30th, 1895, the end of the first year, 26,064 names had been registered. The issue of books during the year was 537,413 volumes, or nearly double the year before.

To the entire independence and the greatest usefulness of the library was wanting a home of its own. The Board of Directors, having now control of its resources, set about to acquire a convenient site for a building, trusting to the voters to secure a sufficient special appropriation for a building. By 1898 they had saved enough to venture upon the purchase of ground. They first acquired 181 feet on the southeast corner of Seventeenth and Locust streets, but concluded that this would not be sufficient for their needs, and so set about to get the entire block from 17th to 18th and Olive to Locust streets. The cost of both tracts, as they came to the Board, was roundly $510,000, of which about $50,000 was paid at the time of the purchase, and the rest was carried as an incumbrance. Further payments were made from time to time out of savings in the administration, and about a year ago this heavy incumbrance was discharged altogether. Several attempts in the meantime to get an appropriation for a building failed, for want of the requisite majority at the elections to which they were submitted.

In the year 1901 the Board opened correspondence with Mr. Andrew Carnegie, and were encouraged by this to send the Rev. Dr. Niccolls to New York to see him in person and add the persuasion of his presence to the arguments of the Board in behalf of a donation for an appropriate Library building in the City of St. Louis.

The result was a proposition in March, 1901 by Mr. Carnegie to donate one million dollars, upon condition that—

1. Five hundred thousand of this be used for a main or central building, and five hundred thousand for branches.

2. The City of St. Louis to secure unincumbered sites for the buildings, and

3. An appropriation of $150,000 annually for the maintenance of the library system.

This required, in the first instance, the approval of the people expressed through a vote authorizing the necessary appropriation of funds. This was given at an election held on April 2nd, 1901, which, by a vote of 73,646 to 10,184, the proceeds of a tax of two-fifths of a mill on the dollar were devoted to the use of the library. This, from the first, produced something in excess of the stipulated amount, and, as the amount will increase with the increase in the assessed valuation of the city, it will prove sufficient for library needs.

The next step was to secure the site for the main building. The Board had the block at Olive and 18th streets, but subject to heavy mortgage, and it would take years with the utmost economy to pay this off. An opportunity presented itself now to get a new and a very much better location. The old Exposition and Music Hall Association found themselves unable to carry out further the purposes of their organization, and agreed to cease operations and yield the ground occupied by them, and which was formerly Missouri Park, provided they could dispose of such property and rights as they had for enough to pay their debts.

In 1902 the Municipal Assembly enacted an ordinance restoring Missouri Park as a Park, and authorizing the Library Board to construct the main or central building therein, conditioned, however, that the rights and property of the old Exposition Company should be secured by or for the Board. To accomplish this required a sum of $280,000, on which, however, there would be reimbursements from the proceeds of the Exposition Company's property over and above its rights in Missouri Park. Forty five thousand dollars of the $280,000 was contributed by the Board officially, and the remainder by gentlemen connected with the St. Louis Union Trust Company.

The terms of the city ordinance forbade taking down the Exposition building until after the World's Fair was closed, and when that had come to pass, there was further delay about the main building, first in the view that some company or association would undertake the construction of a new coliseum for which the steel work in the old structure might be utilized, and second that more than a half million dollars might be put into the main library building.

One certainly, and we trust both of these objects, have been realized. The property at Olive and 18th streets has been sold for $650,000, and this amount will be added to the half million donated by Mr. Carnegie as a building fund for the main structure. The taking down of the old Music Hall and Coliseum will be commenced right after the conclusion of the Horse Show, and next year will see the new library building under way.

It was the intention first to secure donation of sites for the branch buildings, but it has been found that this could not generally be done with due regard to proper locations, and so has been abandoned. When, however, the suggestion was first made, there was an immediate response by Mr. and Mrs. William Barr, who offered this site on the corner of Lafayette and Jefferson avenues, which was recognized at once as a most eligible one, and was gladly accepted, and here the first library building was constructed, and it is to be known as the Barr Branch. The architect is Mr. Theodore Link. The church structure which occupied this ground before was also designed by Mr. Link, and was his first building in this city.

What he has done in the design and construction of the Barr Branch needs no praise from me. Mr. Link belongs to that class of architects

who, like Sir Christopher Wren, need no monuments other than the structures they have reared for the use of their fellow men.

The present plans of the Board contemplate six more branches. One of these is well under way at Union and Cabanne avenues. The site for a third has been bought in Carondelet, and the plans for this are in course of preparation. The financial means for the acquisition of the sites and the construction of the buildings of the other branches are at hand, and the work of constructing the library system will go forward now with such speed as is consistent with the enduring character of the work.

Everything in this world must vindicate its right to be. The utility of the public library, obvious as that would seem to be, is not accepted without challenge. In the view of its founders, it was a necessary supplement to and an appropriate extension of our public educational system, and in that view it has been administered from the beginning. For convenience and efficiency of administration, the School Board and the Library Board are separate institutions, but the purposes of their creation harmonize and indeed are as one. To vindicate the Public Library, as to vindicate the Public School, it is necessary only to witness the work they are doing. Popular approval of the school and the library are shown by the generous support that is given them out of taxes that are self-imposed, and by the increasing use that is made of the facilities they offer. The Public Library of St. Louis enters upon its new era with a collection of 195,000 bound volumes and 50,000 pamphlets, with a registration of 62,230 and an issue of 1,184,801 books annually.

This popular judgment of approval I know is sometimes derided, and a recent critic has said that the reading done in and through the library is but a sort of literary dissipation, the books read being "the small green beer" of our literature. Many others lament the amount of novel reading that is done. Beyond a doubt, the primary purpose in much, if not most of the reading, is recreation. But why should it not be? Most of those who use the Public Library are busy, hard working people, who are in need of recreation, and what can they get more wholesome in every way than good imaginative literature? But there is a constant increase in the use of other books. The demand for works of reference in every branch of science and in the various arts is growing. More novels are read than before, but many more books of other kinds are also read. And this is not the result of compulsion. In the early seventies the Library Board undertook to form the public taste, and novels, except those of Dickens, Scott, Thackeray and a few others, were almost entirely ruled out. The result was that the registry of members and the issue of books fell off so seriously that at the election in 1875 a new Board, pledged to a change of policy, was chosen.

An effort is made to elevate the standard of reading, but entirely by way of suggestion. If Mrs. Holmes or Mrs. Southworth or the Duchess are called for, the book is handed out without a word of disparagement, but in it is placed a list of books, which, without preachment of any kind, are recommended to the reader. This method was devised by Mr. Crunden, and its results have been most excellent. Mrs. Southworth has been almost entirely forgotten, and Mrs. Holmes and the Duchess have lost their friends in troops.

The current novel, in the Public Library as elsewhere, seems to predominate, but this is only seeming. The current novel soon ceases to be current, and long before it has been worn out by use, it encumbers the shelf and is sent to the old book man and sold at any price to make way for something else. But the best books are called for again and again. They are read and reread, until dog-eared and dirty, tattered and torn, even the rag man complains of their condition, and then new copies are bought to take their places.

To find the favorite books for reading in a public library, you must take a period not of weeks or months, but of years. I have had a list made of the twenty novels most called for during the last six years. I give them in order of their popularity.

Hugo
Les Miserables.

Dumas
Count of Monte Cristo.
Three Musketeers.

Dickens
David Copperfield.

Doyle
Adventures of Sherlock Holmes.

Clemens
Tom Sawyer.

Thackeray
Vanity Fair.
Henry Esmond.

Bulwer
Last Days of Pompeii.

Meredith
Diana of the Crossways.
Ordeal of Richard Feveril.

Eliot
Romola.
Mill on the Floss.

Churchill
Richard Carvel.
Crisis.

Major
When Knighthood was in Flower.

Scott
Ivanhoe.
Kenilworth.

Blackmore
Lorna Doone.

Bronte
Jane Eyre.

The newer books have a factitious advantage. In a later period of six years, some of them would disappear, and old favorites would be in their places. But always you may depend upon it that Les Miserables, David Copperfield, Vanity Fair and Ivanhoe would be present.

I would not offer this list as of the twenty best novels. I would eliminate at least half of them, and would substitute some whose authors are not even represented in the list. But about that sort of thing people will always differ. The important thing is that this is a good list, and indicates a high standard of taste. These books are not the small beer of literature, and nobody was ever brought to harm by the reading of them.

In the juvenile department the showing is even better. There in the front rank stand Miss Alcott, Hans Christian Andersen, Grimm, Aesop, Kingsley, the Arabian Nigths, Robinson Crusoe and Tom Sawyer.

But statistics are proverbially misleading, and those of the library are no exception. They tell only part of the truth. The public taste is above what the figures of issue would indicate.

It is to be borne in mind that people buy books in these days, as well as draw them from the library. Books are to be found now in nearly every home, and these books, which are the constant possession of the household, must be taken into account. Confined to library statistics, the Bible would seem not to be much read. It is not often drawn for home reading, and at the library is taken down only occasionally for casual reference. But why? It is already in the homes of the humblest, and is read in those homes more than any other book in our language. And what is thus true of the Bible, is measurably true of Shakespeare, Burns, Dickens, Scott, Gœthe, Cervantes and the other great writers. People who read, desire to possess the books they cherish most, they want them as every-day companions, and having them as such, there is less occasion for getting them from the library. This must be taken into account in determining what our people like best to read. In truth, the popular standard of taste in library matters is a high one, as attested by the fact that the best books are being continually reproduced in large, unlimited editions. Every attempted re-

vision of the Bible has failed, because the people have a better sense of pure English than the pedants.

Those who watch the work of the library feel sure of its beneficence, and welcome every extension of the field of its influence.

The Library Board was originally chartered for library and lyceum purposes. In its early days its rooms were used for both. The old reports give account of lectures and entertainments under the auspices of the Board. This building recognizes the propriety of the lyceum in connection with the library. The room in which we are gathered is designed for the uses of clubs and societies formed among the people of the neighborhood for literary purposes of every kind.

In the hope and faith that this structure may be the scene and center of pure enjoyment and high endeavor, that it will prove a temple on whose altar is ever glowing the flame at which patriotism may be rekindled and public spirit renewed, we now open its doors to the people, and bid them enter into possession of their own.

BRANCH LIBRARIES.

Of Mr. Carnegie's $1,000,000 gift one-half was set apart by the donor for the construction of branches. The Library Board agreed to furnish sites for the buildings, to buy the books, and to provide a proper fund for maintenance.

Soon after the close of the World's Fair plans for a first branch were begun, and on Sept. 17, 1906, the completed building was opened to the people. The address delivered on that occasion by Pres. F. W. Lehmann of the Library Board and printed in this report, covers not only the earlier history of the public library, but also the events leading up to the completion of this Barr Branch. It remains only to say therefore that the work done here in the first seven months, as shown in the tables of this report, has been most gratifying to all concerned. It was due to no pressure, to no undue attempts to advertise, or to cater to each temporary demand. The home issue has been simply normal. Regarding the building itself the accompanying views give some impression of its richness and dignity. The main floor particularly, comprising the two reading rooms, stack and delivery rooms, and the librarian's office, is spacious and handsome. The basement, less embellished but thoroughly equipped, contains in addition to toilet rooms, store rooms, and the heating plant, a club room, an auditorium and a retiring room for the staff. The Barr Branch cost about $72,000.

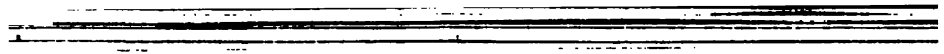
As this report goes to press the Cabanne Branch, second of the Carnegie buildings, is beginning its work. It was dedicated with simple ceremony on the night of July 27th, in the presence of a large gathering of friends. Pres. F. W. Lehmann spoke for the Library Board and Mr. Saunders Norvell replied in behalf of the neighborhood; the generosity of the Cabanne Library Association provided a band of music and also attractive souvenirs in the form of book marks representing the keys of the library; and in every way the occasion proved itself a happy one.

The Cabanne Branch in its early weeks has repeated the gratifying record of the Barr, both in the registration of new readers and in the issue of books. It is steadily and enthusiastically patronized. This branch, though different in exterior design, is similar to the Barr in size and equipment, and its cost was about $80,000.

At the present time a third branch, the Carondelet, is about two-thirds completed. The site for a fourth was bought this spring at Seventh and Soulard Streets, and another is being sought in the northern part of the city. This growth will go steadily on until seven branches are finished, when the Carnegie fund will be exhausted and the city, it is hoped, will for the time be adequately served.



BARR BRANCH—CHILDREN'S ROOM



CENTRAL LIBRARY.

By the spring of 1907 the Library Board had accumulated for a central library building about $1,200,000, including the $500,000 given by Andrew Carnegie. The site at 13th and Olive was being cleared of the Coliseum and Music Hall and the time had come for the choice of an architect. Late in April therefore, a competition was arranged between nine invited architectural firms, as follows: Carrere & Hastings, Cass Gilbert, Palmer & Hornbostel, and Albert R. Ross of New York; and Barnett, Haynes & Barnett, Eames & Young, Wm. B. Ittner, Mauran, Russell & Garden, and Theodore C. Link of St. Louis. Six weeks later the drawings were called in and submitted to a jury composed of Walter Cook of New York, Frank Miles Day of Philadelphia, Philip Sawyer of New York, architects; Edwin H. Anderson, Librarian of the State Library, Albany, New York, and John F. Lee, of the St. Louis Public Library Board. The three architects in this body were chosen by vote of the competitors. After a three days' session, in which Mr. Crunden took a part, the jury reported to the library board its ranking of the drawings. The Board, at its meeting on the following day, voted to adopt this recommendation, and to appoint the author of the plans ranked first, architect of the new building. This was found to be Mr. Cass Gilbert of New York.

A spirit of good-will marked the progress of the competition. The superiority of Mr. Gilbert's plans was conceded not only by the jury and the Library Board, but also by the competitors themselves. The make-up of the program and the manner of conducting the competition also seemed to please; for the Board made all concessions possible and pursued throughout a liberal policy. For the excellence of the program and the skilful conduct of the competition from the time of its inception to the day Mr. Gilbert was chosen, the library owes a cordial acknowledgment to its consulting architect, Prof. F. M. Mann of Washington University. No one could have given more sincere and effective service.

Mr. Gilbert, between the time of his selection as architect and the publication of this report, has devoted himself to a detailed restudy of his competition plans.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, }

Before me, the undersigned, a notary public within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Edward L. Preetorius, Chairman of the Auditing Committee of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, being duly sworn, stated that the statement of receipts and expenditures of the St. Louis Public Library contained in the foregoing report of the Librarian for the two years ending in April 30, 1907, on account of city appropriation and other sources, is true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) EDW. L. PREETORIUS,
Chairman Auditing Committee,
St. Louis Public Library.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 23d day of October, 1907.

(Seal) (Signed) FRED REIMLER,
Notary Public,
City of St. Louis.

My term expires May 30, 1910.

STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
CITY OF ST. LOUIS, }

Before the undersigned, a notary public, within and for the City of St. Louis, Mo., appeared Paul Blackwelder, Assistant Librarian of the St. Louis Public Library, who is personally known to me, who, upon being duly sworn, stated that the foregoing report of the St. Louis Public Library is true and correct, to the best of his knowledge and belief.

(Signed) PAUL BLACKWELDER,
Assistant Librarian.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 23d day of October, 1907.

(Seal) FRED REIMLER,
Notary Public,
City of St. Louis.

My term expires May 30, 1910.

DONATIONS.

MAY 1, 1905—APRIL 30, 1906.

1857 volumes and 8189 pamphlets were received from 1160 sources.

	Vols.	Phs.
Abell (A. S.) Company. Baltimore		1
Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia		1
Academy of Science of St. Louis		6
Adams, B. S. St. Louis	20	
Adams, C. C. Cromwell, Conn.		3
Adams, E. K. New York	2	
Adams Nervine Asylum. Boston		1
Adriance Memorial Library. Poughkeepsie		2
Adventure Consolidated Copper Co. New York		1
Alabama. Agric. Exp. Sta.		7
—— Auditor		6
—— Convict Bureau		2
—— Dept. of Insurance	2	
—— Geological Survey		2
—— Inspector of Mines		5
Albany. Bd. of Education		1
Allegheny. Carnegie Library		1
Allen, A. M. New Brighton, Staten Island	3	
Alliance Israelite Universelle. N. Y. Branch		1
Allis - Chalmers Company. Milwaukee		9
Allyn, E. G. Dubuque, Ia.		2
American Arithmometer Co. St. Louis		2
American Art Annual. New York		1
American Bankers Assoc. New York		2
American Baptist Missionary Union. Boston		1
American Bell Telephone Co. Boston		15
American Board of Commrs. for Foreign Missions. Boston		23
American Book Co. Chicago		1
American Civic Assoc. Philadelphia		24
American Congregational Assoc. Boston		2
American Cotton Oil Co. New York		15
American Economic Assoc. Baltimore		1
American Express Co		1
American Federation of Labor. Washington		2
American Free Trade League. Boston		3
American Hide and Leather Co. New York		4
American Institute of Architects. Washington	1	2
American Institute of Electrical Engineers. New York		2
American Institute of Homeopathy. New York	1	
American Jewish Historical Soc. New York	1	
American Library Assoc. Boston		2
American Locomotive Co. New York	4	
American Medico-Psychological Assoc	1	
American Numismatic and Archaeological Soc. of New York		1
American Pediatric Society. Washington	1	
American Pneumatic Service Co. St. Louis		1
American Printing House for the Blind. Louisville		1
American Radiator Co. Chicago		1
American Railways Co. Philadelphia		2
American Social Science Assoc.	1	
American Society of Civil Engineers. New York	1	1
American Sports Publishing Co. New York		1
American Statistical Assoc. Boston		1
American Type Founders Co. Jersey City	7	
American Unitarian Assoc. Boston		18
American Woolen Co. Boston		2
American Writing Paper Co. Holyoke, Mass		6
Amherst College. Amherst, Mass.		2

	Vols.	Pphs.
Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. of Mass. Boston	1	
Andover Theological Seminary.. Andover, Mass...		1
Andrews (A. H.) Co. Chicago		3
Anonymous	7	28
Anti-Imperialist League. Boston		3
Archaeological Institute of America. Boston		1
Arkansas. Bur. of Mines....		1
—— Railroad Comm'n	5	
—— Secretary of State.....	1	
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	4	
Arlington Street Church. Boston		14
Armour Institute of Technology. Chicago		1
Art Students League of New York		1
Asheville. Bd. of Trade....		2
Ashton - under - Lyne. Eng. Public Free Library....		1
Associated Charities of Boston		1
Association of Officials of Bur. of Labor Statistics of America		1
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co. Topeka		2
Atlanta. Carnegie Library..		13
Atlantic City. Free Public Library		4
Atlantic Mining Co. New York		1
Atlas Portland Cement Co. New York		1
Auxiliary Educational League. Boston		2
Avery (B. F.) & Sons. Louisville		3
Ayr. Carnegie Public Library. Ayrshire, Scotland		1
Baillie's Institution Free Ref. Library. Glasgow		1
Baker, H. M. Concord, N. H.		2
Baltimore. Chamber of Commerce	1	
Baltimore & Ohio S. W. Railroad. Cincinnati....		12
Bangor. Public Library.....		1
Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Co. Bangor		9
Barnes Medical College. St. Louis		2
Bates, Rev. N. W. West Bloomfield, N. Y		1
Bates, W. H. Webster Groves, Mo	1	
Bates College. Lewiston, Me.		3
Battersea. Public Libraries. London		1
Beer, W. New Orleans.....		1
Belgium. Ministere de l'Agriculture		8
—— Ministere de l'Industrie et du Travail		2
Belleville. Public Library..		2
Bellevue and Allied Hospitals. New York	1	
Benneville, J. S. de. Yokohama, Japan		1
Benton College of Law. St. Louis		1
Berlin. Statistisches Amt...	1	1
Bibliographical Society of America. Chicago		1
Bigelow Free Public Library. Clinton, Mass		3
Birmingham, Eng. Free Libraries Com		1
Bishop (H. R.) Estate. Executors	2	
Bixby, W. K. St. Louis.....	2	1
Blackburn, Eng. Free Library		1
Blackwelder, P. St. Louis..	1	
Bland, Mrs. R. P. Lebanon, Mo.	1	
Blanke, C. F. St. Louis....	1	
Blewett, B. St. Louis.....	4	9
Bodleian Library. Oxford, Eng.	5	
Boehmer (G. H.) Shoe Co. St. Louis		1
Bolton, Eng. Public Libraries Com		1
Bonne Terre, Mo. Memorial Library		1
Boston. Auditor	1	
—— Cemetery Dept		1
—— Chamber of Commerce.	1	
—— Children's Hospital.....		11
—— City Registry Dept.....	7	
—— Commr. of Public Records		1
—— Dept. of Parks		1
—— Harbor and Land Commrs.	1	
—— Health Dept		14
—— Improved Dwellings Assoc.		1
—— Mayor		16
—— Museum of Fine Arts..		7
—— Overseers of the Poor..		2
—— Provident Assoc		2
—— Public Library		14
—— School Committee	3	24
Boston & Maine Railroad. Boston		22
Boston & Worcester Electric Co. Boston		1
Boston Athenaeum. Boston..		1
Boston Book Co. Boston....		6
Boston Elevated Railway Co. Boston		1
Boston Transit Commission. Boston	1	
Bowdoin College. Brunswick, Me.		6
Boyden, E. M. B. Chicago..	2	
Braddock, Pa. Carnegie Free Library		1
Bradford, Pa. Carnegie Public Library		2
Brainard, W. F. New York	1	
Brannigan, J. E. St. Louis..		4
Braumueller, W. Vienna....	1	
Breslau. Handelskammer....		1
Brigham, C. S. Providence..		1
Brighton, Eng. Public Library		1
Bristol, Eng. Public Libraries		1

	Vols.	Phs.
British Columbia. Minister of Mines		3
Bromley. Public Library. Kent, Eng		3
Brookline, Mass. Public Library		7
Brooklyn. Public Library		14
Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences	1	9
Brooklyn Rapid Transit Co.		7
Brown & Sharpe Mfg. Co. Providence	1	
Brown's Business College. Jacksonville, Ill		1
Bryan, Miss G. St. Louis		3
Bryan, Dr. W. M. C. St. Louis		3
Bryant, W. S. New York		17
Bryn Mawr College. Bryn Mawr, Pa		1
Buchmueller, S. St. Louis		13
Buffalo. Chamber of Commerce		3
—— Public Library		4
Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Co. New York		1
Bunker Hill Boys' Club. Boston		3
Bunker Hill Monument Assoc. Boston		2
Burlington, Ia. City Council		1
Burrows Brothers Co. Cleveland		4
Burroughs Adding Machine Co. Detroit		1
California. Adjutant General	1	1
—— State Library		4
California State Realty Federation. Berkeley		1
Cambria Steel Co. Philadelphia		5
Cambridge, Mass. Public Library		14
Cambridge University. Cambridge, Eng		1
Campbell-Hagerman College. Lexington, Ky		1
Canada. Dept. of Agriculture		24
—— Auditor General		5
—— Census Office	1	
—— Dept. of Customs		1
—— Dept. of Railways and Canals		2
—— Dept. of Trade and Commerce		11
—— Finance Dept		14
—— Inland Revenue Dept		29
—— Interior Dept		2
—— Post Office Dept	1	2
—— Public Accounts Com		1
—— Supt. of Immigration		1
Cardiff, Wales. Public Libraries		1
Carnegie, A. New York	2	
Carnegie Institute. Pittsburgh		1
Carnegie Institute of Washington	8	21
Carpenter, G. O., jr. St. Louis	1	
Carpenter, Mrs. G. O. St. Louis		7
Case Library. Cleveland		1
Cashmere, J. H. Denver	1	
Carthage, Mo. Public Library		3
Catholic Indian Missions. Washington		6
Catholic University of America. Washington		12
Cedar Rapids, Ia. Public Library		1
Central Conference of American Rabbis. New York		1
Century Company. New York	6	
Century Theatre. St. Louis		70
Chapman & Hall. London		1
Charity Organization Society. Buffalo		3
Chautauqua Institution. Chautauqua, New York		6
Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co. Richmond, Va		9
Chicago. Bd. of Trade	1	
—— Civil Service Comm'n	1	
—— Fire Dept	1	
—— Health Dept		53
—— Public Library		15
Chicago & Alton Railroad Co. Chicago		1
Chicago & Northwestern Railway Co. Chicago		2
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Co. Chicago		12
Chicago Great Western Railway Co. St. Paul		1
Chicago Historical Assoc. Chicago	1	3
Chicago Public Library Employes' Pension Fund		1
Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railway Co		5
Christ Church. Woman's Alliance. Dorchester, Mass.	1	
Churchill, Col. J. O. St. Louis	2	
Cincinnati. Public Library		12
Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railway Co. Cincinnati		1
City Club of New York		59
Civic Improvement League of St. Louis		6
Clark, Hon. C. Washington		4
Clarke, D. New York	1	
Clay, G. Mexico, Mo	1	
Cleveland. Chamber of Commerce	1	
—— Home Gardening Assoc.		1
—— Public Library		5
—— Supt. of Water Works.	1	1
Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Co. Cincinnati		18
Coghlan, Miss L. L. Maplewood, Mo	1	
Cohn, Dr. P. Vienna		1
Colorado. Attorney General.	2	
—— Auditor	2	1
—— Bur. of Labor Statistics	3	
—— State Agric. College		40
—— State Bd. of Horticulture	6	
—— Treasurer	2	2
Colorado Bar Assoc. Denver		1
Colorado College. Colorado Springs		2
Colorado Fuel and Iron Co. Denver		10

	Vols.	Pphs.
Colorado Springs. Free Public Library		1
Columbia Theatre. St. Louis		78
Columbia University. New York		6
Columbus, O. Public School Library		2
Concord, N. H. Public Library		1
Congo Free State. Consulate. Baltimore		1
Congregational Home Missionary Society. Des Moines, Ia.	4	1
Congres International d'Education. Brussels		160
Connecticut. Agric. Exp. Sta.	1	5
—— Bank Examiner	1	
—— Bd. of Educ.		7
—— State Library	15	13
Continental Color and Chemical Co. New York		5
Cooper Union. New York		1
Corliss, Coon & Co. Chicago		1
Cornell University. Ithaca, N. Y.		27
Costa Rica. Consul. St. Louis		1
Council Bluffs, Ia. Free Public Library		1
Cox, E. L. Brooklyn	1	
Creighton University. Omaha		1
Crimmins, J. D. New York	1	
Croydon, Eng. Public Libraries		1
Crunden, F. M. St. Louis	3	85
Crunden, Mrs. F. M. St. Louis		13
Current Century Circle. St. Louis		1
Dante Society. Cambridge, Mass.		2
Dartmouth College. Hanover, N. H.	1	8
Davenport, Ia. Free Public Library		1
David, E. J. San Francisco		1
Dayton, O. Public Library and Museum		1
Deane, R. Chicago		1
Decatur, Ill. Free Public Library		5
Delaware. Insurance Dept.		2
—— Sec'y of State		3
—— Treasurer	3	
Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad Co. New York		6
Denver. Public Library		6
Denver & Rio Grande Railway		20
Denver, Northwestern & Pacific Railway		1
Detroit. Public Library	1	8
Detroit Bar Assoc.		1
Detroit United Railway		5
District of Columbia. Electrical Dept.		1
—— Public Library		7
Dixon Garbage Crematory Co. Toledo		1
Dodd, Mead & Co. New York		1
Dominion Coal Co., Ltd. Montreal		1
Doubleday, Page & Co. New York		1
Drew Theological Seminary. Madison, N. Y.	1	1
Drexel Institute. Philadelphia		10
Drury College. Springfield, Mo.		1
Duane, W. D.		1
Dummer Academy. South Byfield, Mass.		1
East St. Louis. Public Library		1
Eau Claire, Wis. Public Library		1
Educational Publishing Co. Boston	10	
El Paso, Tex.. Public Library		1
Engineers' Society of Western Penn. Pittsburgh		9
Enoch Pratt Free Library. Baltimore		1
Eric Pape School of Art. Boston		3
Erie Railroad Co. New York		1
Ethical Society of St. Louis		1
Evanston, Ill. Free Public Library		5
Executive Com. on the Two Hundredth and Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of the Settlement of the Jews in the U. S, New York	1	
Expanded Metal and Corrugated Bar Co. St. Louis		1
Fabian Society. London		28
Fairmount College. Wichita, Kan.		1
Fairmount Park Art Assoc. Philadelphia		1
Fall River. Public Library		3
Falls Hollow Stay Bolt Co. Cuyahoga Falls, O.		1
Federal Rate Regulation Assoc. St. Louis		2
Ferguson, E. A. Cincinnati, O.	1	
Field Columbian Museum. Chicago		11
Finsbury, Lond. Public Libraries Com.		1
First Church of Christ Scientist. St. Louis	15	
Fisk (E. O.) & Co. Chicago		1
Fitz Public Library. Chelsea, Mass.		1
Florida. Adjutant General		5
—— Agric. Exp. Sta.		3
—— Attorney General		5
—— Commr. of Agric.		3
—— Comptroller		1
—— Sec'y of State		1
Forbes Library. Northampton, Mass.		2
Forethought Club. St. Louis		6
Fort Worth & Denver City Railway Co. New York		1
Foster-Woodlock Co. St. Louis		1

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France. Ministere du Commerce, de l'Industrie, des Postes et des Telegraphes	3	6
Frankfurt a. Main. Rothschild'sche Oeffentliche Bibliothek		1
Franklin Mining Co. Boston		22
Freedman's Aid and Southern Education Soc. Cincinnati		2
Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. New York		2
Friends' Free Library. Germantown, Penn		1
Froebel Library Assoc. St. Louis	3	4
Funk & Wagnalls Co. New York	1	
Garesche, Mrs. A. F. St. Louis	14	
Garrick Theatre. St. Louis.		68
Gates Potteries. Chicago		2
Gattiker, E. Baraboo, Wis.		14
Geijsbeck, S. St. Louis.		1
General Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen. New York		1
Georgia. Adjutant General.		15
—— Dept. of Agriculture,		1
—— Dept. of Education	3	3
—— Experiment Station		5
—— Railroad Comm		16
—— Treasurer	2	
German Historical Society of the District of Columbia		1
Ginn & Co. Chicago	1	
Golden, P. St. Louis		1
Gorse, Mrs. E. H. St. Louis		4
Graham (A. J.) & Co. New York		1
Grand Opera House. St. Louis		72
Grand Rapids. Public Library		6
Grand Trunk Railway Co. of Canada. Montreal		2
Great Britain. Royal Comm', St. L. International Exhibition	1	
Great Northern Railway. St. Paul		16
Green, S. A.		2
Greenwood, J. M. Kansas City		1
Grueneberg, E. St. Louis	1	
Guaranty Trust Co. of New York		1
Gundelach, C. A. St. Louis	14	
Gwynne Temporary Home for Children. Boston		1
Hall, G. E. Fremont, O.		1
Hallock-Greenewalt, M. Philadelphia		1
Hamburg, Ger. Oeffentliche Buecherhalle		1
Hampton Normal and Agric. Institute. Hampton, Va.		2
Harman, M. Chicago		1
Harper & Brothers. New York	1	
Hart, F. W. New Haven, Conn.		1
Hartford. Board of Trade		7
—— Public Library		2
Hartford Theological Seminary		1
Harvard Oriental Ser. Editor. Cambridge, Mass.	1	
Harvard University. Cambridge, Mass	6	3
Hatchet. Editor. St. Louis.	1	
Haverford College. Haverford, Penn		1
Haverhill, Mass. Public Library		7
Havlins Theatre. St. Louis.		7
Hawaii. Board of Health		2
Hawaii Promotion Committee		1
Hawaiian Historical Society. Honolulu		1
Hebrew Industrial School. Boston		6
Helena, Mont. Public Library		2
Helping Hand League of America. Cedar Rapids, Ia.		1
Henriksen, G. Christiana, Norway		1
Heywood, W. S. and A. B. Dorchester, Mass.	3	1
Historical and Scientific Soc. of Manitoba. Winnipeg, Canada		1
Hitchcock, G. St. Louis		105
Hobart College. Geneva, N. Y.		5
Hoboken, N. J. Free Public Library		2
Hodge, C. F. Worcester, Mass.		1
Holland, M. G. St. Louis		21
Holland, T. St. Louis	16	
Holland-American Line. St. Louis		2
Hollis, Mrs. F. W. New York	1	
Homan, Dr. G. St. Louis		2
Home for Incurables. New York		1
Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Boston	1	
Howard University. Washington		2
Huguenot Society of South Carolina. Charleston, S. C.		1
Humanitarian League. London	3	4
Hunt (C. W.) Co. New York		1
Hunt, Hon. J. T. Washington		112
Hunter, Miss L. M., and Miss C. T. Baker. St. Louis	10	
Hyde Park, Mass. Public Library		1
Idaho. Adjutant General		1
—— State Inspector of Mines		1
—— Supt. of Public Instruction		3
Illinois. Adjutant General's Office	2	
—— Agric. and Mechanical College		1
—— Attorney General	2	

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—— Auditor	7	
—— Live Stock Commr.	5	
—— Railroad and Warehouse Commn.	6	
—— State Food Commr.	1	
—— State Reformatory.	2	
—— Sec'y of State.	37	129
—— State Bd. of Agriculture		5
—— State Bd. of Arbitration	2	
—— State Bd. of Commrs. of Public Charities.	2	1
—— State Laboratory of Natural History.	1	9
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	1	1
—— Treasurer	6	
Illinois Central Railroad Co. Chicago	1	15
Illinois State Bar Assoc. Springfield	2	1
Illinois State Horticultural Society. Princeton.	1	
Imperial Theatre. St. Louis		82
Indian Rights Assoc. Philadelphia		4
Indiana. Geological Survey.	1	
—— Public Library Commn		11
—— State Bd. of Charities and Correction.		5
—— State Bd. of Health.		50
—— State Library	30	59
Indiana Springs Company. Mudlavia, Ind.		1
Indianapolis. Public Library		12
—— Woman's Sanitary Assoc.		2
Industrial Aid Society. Boston		1
Industrial School for Crippled and Deformed Children. Boston.		1
International Bd. of Women's and Young Women's Christian Assocs. Cleveland		2
International Physio-Psychic Society. Baltimore.	3	
International Reform Bureau. Washington.	1	2
International Sleeping Car and Express Trains Co. New York		4
International Sunshine Society. St. Louis.		1
International Union.		1
Iowa. Experiment Station.		2
—— Geological Survey.	1	
—— Historical Dept.		4
—— Library Commn.		2
—— Secretary of State.	2	
—— State Bd. of Health.		5
—— State Historical Society		2
Iowa Masonic Library. Cedar Rapids, Ia.	1	4
Italy. Ministere d'Agricoltura, Industria e Commercio		130
J. Herman Bosler Memorial Library. Carlisle, Penn.		9
Jamestown Exposition Company. Norfolk, Va.		28
Japan. Bureau de la Statistique Generale.	1	2
—— Imperial Library.		2
—— Imperial University.		2
—— Minister of Finance.		2
Jersey City. Free Public Library		4
John Carter Brown Library	1	
John Crerar Library. Chicago	1	1
John Rylands Library. Manchester, Eng.		2
Johns Hopkins Hospital. Baltimore		1
Johns Hopkins University. Baltimore		19
Johnston, R. H. Washington		1
Joliet, Ill. Public Library.		21
Josephson, A. G. S. Chicago		1
Judson, F. N. St. Louis.	30	302
Kansas. Adjutant General.		2
—— State Agric. College.		26
—— State Bd. of Agric.		5
—— State Dept. of Public Instruction	2	
—— State Historical Society	4	
Kansas City, Mo. Board of Education		4
—— Comptroller		9
—— Public Library.		4
Karst, E. St. Louis.		4
Kastor (H. W.) & Sons Adv. Co. St. Louis.	1	
Kearns, Hon. T. Washington		1
Keim, R. Washington.		1
Kentucky. Adjutant General		1
—— Agric. Exp. Sta.		9
—— Agric., Labor and Statistics Bur.	4	
—— Auditor	6	
—— Institution for the Education of the Blind.		7
—— State Inspector of Mines	1	
—— Supt. of Public Instruction	2	
Keysing, Mrs. T. St. Louis.	12	
Kingsland, L. D. St. Louis		10
Knox College. Galesburg, Ill.		1
Koch, W. Washington.		1
Krug, Miss J. St. Louis.	1	
Kruppsche Buecherhalle. Essen, Ger.	1	2
Kuhn Formaldehyde Generator Co. Alexandria, Va.		1
Lacey, Hon. J. F. Washington		1
La Crosse, Wis. Bd. of Trade		1
Lake Mohonk Conference of Friends of the Indian. Mohonk Lake, N. Y.		7
Lancaster, Mass. Town Library		1
Landenberger, L. G. St. Louis		3
Lange (L.) Pub. Co. St. Louis	1	
Lange, T. St. Louis.	1	
Latin-American Club and Foreign Trade Assoc. St. Louis		1
Lawrence, Mass. Water Board		2
Leland Stanford Junior University. Palo Alto, Cal.	1	1
Lewis Institute. Chicago.		6
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